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No Birthday Parade

Rain this morning caused the cancellation of the King's Birthday Parade which was to have taken place at Happy Valley. In spite of the weather, certain detachments including the Royal Navy, had taken up their positions, while the field guns were also ready in place for the firing of the Royal Salute. Even as late as 8.45 some people, braving the elements, were arriving at the Jockey Club Stands only to see the last of the field guns being removed from the parade ground.

Death Of Mr Bertie Muskett

Mr H. W. B. ("Bertie") Muskett, an old and highly respected resident, died this morning at St Teresa's Hospital, after an illness of some months. He was 55 years of age. Mr Muskett came to Hongkong from Singapore as a child and completed his education in Hongkong. Leaving school, he joined Messrs A. S. Watson & Co., but shortly afterwards left to join the Hongkong Electric Company, with whom he has been associated for about 31 years. A keen sportsman, the late Mr Muskett played cricket for Craigengower in his younger days, was a first-class cricketer for the VRC, and later devoted much attention to lawn bowls, playing in the league for the Hongkong Electric. Mr Muskett leaves a widow and two children, who are at present in Australia. The funeral will be held tomorrow at a time yet to be fixed.

PIGEON HUNTING IN MONTMARTE

Paris, June 9.—The Police today fined musician Georges Bohin for violating French hunting laws in the heart of Paris' teeming Montmartre district. Bohin, according to the Police, lured pigeons with handfuls of bread crumbs and then hit them on the head with a bat.—United Press.

EDITORIAL

60 Men And A Child

WHEN, some months ago, this paper exposed to the public the appalling conditions under which prisoners were kept in the detention cells at Central, there was much hurrying and scurrying by various departments to close the cells at least an outward appearance of decency. Walls and floors were cleaned more regularly and women were segregated from men. The fundamental weakness remained, however; namely, the total inadequacy of the cells in respect to space, lighting and ventilation. Now there is some improvement on the contrary a new scandal has come to light. This week, in a detention cell whose measurements permitted officially nine inmates, were crowded one day 60 men and a little girl of three years old. The child's father was in the cell awaiting deportation; the girl, possessing no mother or other relatives, had to be kept with him. She was held in these deplorable surroundings for several hours and was only freed from her torture when the father pleaded that the child was ill. From the overcrowded, evil-smelling, stifling hole of shame and indignity she was taken to the charge room where she was able to doze down, obtain some fresh air, and be given some milk. This horrifying story points a finger of condemnation not only at the complete inadequacy of the detention cells in Central, but at the ease with which officials who can permit a child of three to be herded together for hours on end with 60 fully grown men (all criminals of varying degrees) in an area approved only for nine people. Nor can it be herded together in a space intended for nine, denied the minimum in lighting, ventilation and sanitary facilities.

Bernadotte To Call A Peace Conference

Palestine Fighting Ceases Tomorrow

Cairo, June 9.—Count Folke Bernadotte announced tonight a four-week armistice in Palestine will start at 6 a.m. GMT on Friday. Count Bernadotte, United Nations Mediator, immediately asked military observers to supervise the cease fire. He announced a peace conference to attempt to permanently end the bloodshed in the Holy Land. He said Arab and Jews have accepted the UN truce proposal without conditions.

Count Bernadotte said he will call the peace conference as soon as possible on the neutral Mediterranean island of Rhodes, a Greek possession. The conference would attempt to mediate the long range issues involved in the Palestine war.

Mr Trygve Lie, Secretary General of the UN, said at Lake Success that Count Bernadotte was seeking six coast patrol vessels and 63 military officers to supervise compliance with the cease-fire terms. The mediator will establish his headquarters on Rhodes. This is about 350 air miles from Jerusalem.

Secretary-General Lie said under present arrangements, the United States, France and Belgium will supply both the ships and the military observers.

This apparently rules out, at least temporarily, a Russian request that they supply some of the military observers.

TEAMS ACCEPTED

Count Bernadotte announced Arabs and Jews had accepted the cease-fire terms. The mediator had already ordered its "commanders and forces in the field to cease fire as from the hour and date fixed."

The mediator's announcement was made public in the form of a letter to the Egyptian government, which Premier Nokrashy Pasha released.

Announcement of the cease-fire hour raised hopes—that at last after six tries—the UN would succeed in bringing at least a temporary peace to the Holy Land. It has been torn by strife for two years and by open warfare since May 15. It was realised that even if an actual cease-fire goes into

effect, there may be many outbreaks which would endanger the armistice.—Associated Press.

Hongkong's Airport

London, June 9.—Proposals for the construction of a new airport at Hongkong are being "urgently considered" by the Colonial Office, other Government departments and the Hongkong Government.

Mr Arthur Creech Jones, the Colonial Secretary, said this in reply to a question in the House of Commons today. When Mr Anthony Eden, Conservative, said he hoped that financial considerations would not be final in this matter, Mr Creech Jones replied: "The House may take it for granted that, for all practical purposes, the financial matter is now settled."

He added that he was "fully aware of the inadequacy of the present arrangements" at the airport.—Reuter.

17 YEAR-OLD GIRL TAMES A BURGLAR

Breckford, England, June 9.—Shapely Evelyn Constance Wright, 17, told the Court today how she tamed a house burglar.

Miss Wright was awakened around midnight on May 14 by a flashlight in her eyes. She saw a man with a gun. "He said if I didn't keep quiet he would shoot," she said. "He told me to get out of bed and take my pyjamas off. I refused at first, then he took my coat off. He put his pistol down and twice attempted to hit me under the chin. The first time he caught me a glancing blow, I threw myself on him and he fell on the bed. This awakened my sister, who was in her bed, and she called out. I told her it was a nightmare as I did not want her to be frightened."

"I lay on the bed and he lay beside me and dozed off to sleep. He was quiet and I was not really frightened then. He woke me up just before 2 a.m. We had a conversation and eventually he left, about five, through the front window. He promised me he would give himself up to the police."

The burglar, 17-year-old George Cammish, kept his word. He gave himself up at the first police station.—United Press.

New Currency For Western Germany

Frankfurt, June 9.—Some time this month the Western Allies will fulfil their promise and give the Germans in their Zones a new money in exchange for the near worthless Reichsmarks, authoritative German sources said today.

This will be the most decisive move for Western Germany's economic reconstruction since the war. The mark will once again be worth a mark.

The new money is expected to work a near-miracle on the stricken German economy. Most important result will be abolition of blackmarketing in Trizonia, expected within three months. Cigarettes will then no

H.K.'s New Knight



The King's Birthday Honours List issued today is notable for the conferment on the Hon. M. K. Lo of a knighthood. Sir Man Kam Lo (above) receives this honour for long and meritorious public service.

DEPUTIES IN PITCHED BATTLE

Rome, June 9.—Three deputies were injured in a 20-minute pitched battle between Christian Democrats and Communists in the Italian Chamber of Deputies tonight. At least 200 members were involved.

Fists, feet and furniture were freely used during the battle, which occurred during a debate on the Government's programme. While the Chamber President rang the strident electric alarm bell, signalling the suspension of the session and that the Chamber Hall should be cleared, the deputies wrestled on the floor.

Intoxicated and heavy leather dispatch cases were hurled across the room.

The tumult arose during a bitter exchange of epithets in which the Communists alluded to the Vatican influence on the Christian Democrats.

Government supporters replied equally insultingly. The Communists and extreme Socialists then left their seats in a solid group and charged the Government benches.

Signor Alcide de Gasperi, the Christian Democrat Premier, and his main political opponent, Signor Palmiro Togliatti, the Communist leader, both watched the battle.—Reuter.

Rice Price Hits New Peak

Shanghai, June 10.—Continuing its spectacular rise, the price of rice this morning reached the all-time peak of CN\$8,300,000 per picul, compared to only \$6,000,000 last week.

Rice merchants blame curtailed shipments from the hinterland for the unprecedented price spurt.

During the past few days, rice and cotton yarn (which increased 15 per cent in price yesterday) have become principal commodities in the current price spiral.

Another reason for the price jumps is the rumour that a new currency, known as "silver dollar notes" worth about \$700,000 of the present currency, will be issued in two months' time.—Reuter.

BRITAIN & U.S. ACCEPT 6-POWER AGREEMENT

Invitation To Russia

London, June 9.—Britain and the United States tonight announced their acceptance of the six-power London agreement on Germany, while the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, was fighting for the life of his Government in defence of the plan. M. Bidault won his first victory tonight when the National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Commission approved the plan by a one-vote majority. The narrow vote, also a motion of confidence in the administration, came after the Commission had "cross-examined" the French Foreign Minister for three hours on the London pact. It is expected that the full French Assembly will give its approval by a small majority when the crucial vote is taken on Friday, a Reuter Paris cable said.

Announcing their acceptance, both Mr George Marshall, the American Secretary of State, and Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, indicated that Russia was invited to come in—on conditions.

Mr Marshall told his press conference in Washington tonight that if Russia allowed "its zone to join the Western areas of Germany, it would remove 'the principal obstacle to the development of a peaceful Europe'."

He insisted, however, that Russia must first guarantee individual liberties and freedom of trade, agree to a joint export-import programme and halt reparations.

Mr Bevin told Parliament that the British approval of the plan did not mean an abandonment of the hope for four-power agreement.

He said: "We are still in favour of the economic and political unity of Germany, but that must be established on proper principles."

Mr Marshall recognised as "easily understandable" the French fears of a revived German militarism which under the hostile criticisms M. Bidault is facing in Paris.

The French Foreign Minister spent three hours defending the agreement before the National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Commission. As a result of his efforts, lobby circles said, it was expected that the French National Assembly would approve the plan by a small majority when it is put to the vote on Friday.

The French Cabinet was reported to be divided tonight on the question of joining the proposed currency reform for Western Germany.

In Berlin today, the Soviet authorities flatly rejected a British request that the Russians should evacuate Berlin's broadcasting house, situated in the British sector.

The Soviet Chief of Staff, Lieutenant General Mikhail Dravlin, said the British claim was "baseless" because the radio, which serves the British zone, has been under Russian control since before the British troops entered Berlin.

MEETING POSTPONED

The three Western commanders in Berlin agreed tonight to postpone the next meeting of the Allied Kommandatura from June 11 to June 16. The Russian commander, General Alexander Nolikov, informed the British, French and United States commanders that he was ill and would not be able to attend a meeting next Friday.

His deputy, Colonel Alexei Yelizarov, also could not attend then, since, it was stated, "he had not the time to inform himself on the matters under discussion."

A British spokesman in Berlin said tonight that all the items on the agenda had been very fully discussed at previous meetings attended by Colonel Yelizarov.

Mr Marshall, in his Washington press conference, said that the United States has consistently held that the political unity of Germany jumps is the rumour that a new currency, known as "silver dollar notes" worth about \$700,000 of the present currency, will be issued in two months' time.—Reuter.

Mr Marshall believed that the constitution for a Federal Germany to be drawn up by the Germans themselves would "insure the normal functioning of free political institutions, guarantee basic civil liberties for the individual, and provides for the ultimate adherence of all the German states as soon as circumstances permit."

"The United States believes that the London programme will stand the test of experience and that if conditions can be developed for its application to Germany as a whole, it would resolve the issues which have, thus far, divided Germany under the occupation powers and would, thereby, remove the principal obstacle to the development of a peaceful Europe."

Mr Marshall said he had no knowledge of press reports from London that an agreement between Britain, France and the United States was imminent on the question of resuming reparations deliveries, cut off since the middle of last year, from Western Germany to Russia.

"Negotiations have been under way for a considerable time on that subject, but as yet no agreement has been reached," he declared.

Taking note of the French controversy over the London agreement and the fears expressed there on the possible inadequacies of the military guarantees contained in them, the Secretary of State said: "The feeling of the French public is easily understandable because they have suffered terribly because of German military operations."

"The problem involves obtaining a balance between the necessity of German economic recovery for the good of all Europe and the danger that certain segments of German industry might be revived to a certain extent that it would constitute a threat to Europe at some future date."—Reuter.

A Tropical Depression

At 6 o'clock this morning, a tropical depression (not a typhoon) was within 60 miles of latitude 21.4 N and longitude 114.5 E moving west-north-west at five knots. The Royal Observatory warned that winds would probably reach gale force in the centre.

The depression first began yesterday evening but there was not a single report of gale force, the wind not exceeding 30 mph. The worst was over between 7 and 8 o'clock this morning when there were heavy squalls and from now on pressure should rise and the wind slowly fall.

Information reaching the Observatory concerning the depression has been very scanty but the depression was unusual in that it moved south-west thus coming in line with the longitude of the Colony.

Further Birthday Honours

London, June 9.—The following names are selected from the full list of the King's Birthday Honours.

General Sir Alan Cunningham, until recently High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief in Palestine, is promoted to the highest degree of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George—Knight Grand Cross.

The same award is made to Baron Wright, who has been chairman of the United Nations War Crimes Commission since January 1946. He resigned last year after 13 years as a Lord of Appeal.

Among those receiving the Knights Commander are Charles Brinsley Pemberton Peake, Britain's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Belgrade, who has served in Tangier, Sofia, Constantinople, Tokyo, Bern and Paris and John O. Troutbeck, head of the British Middle East Office, Cairo.

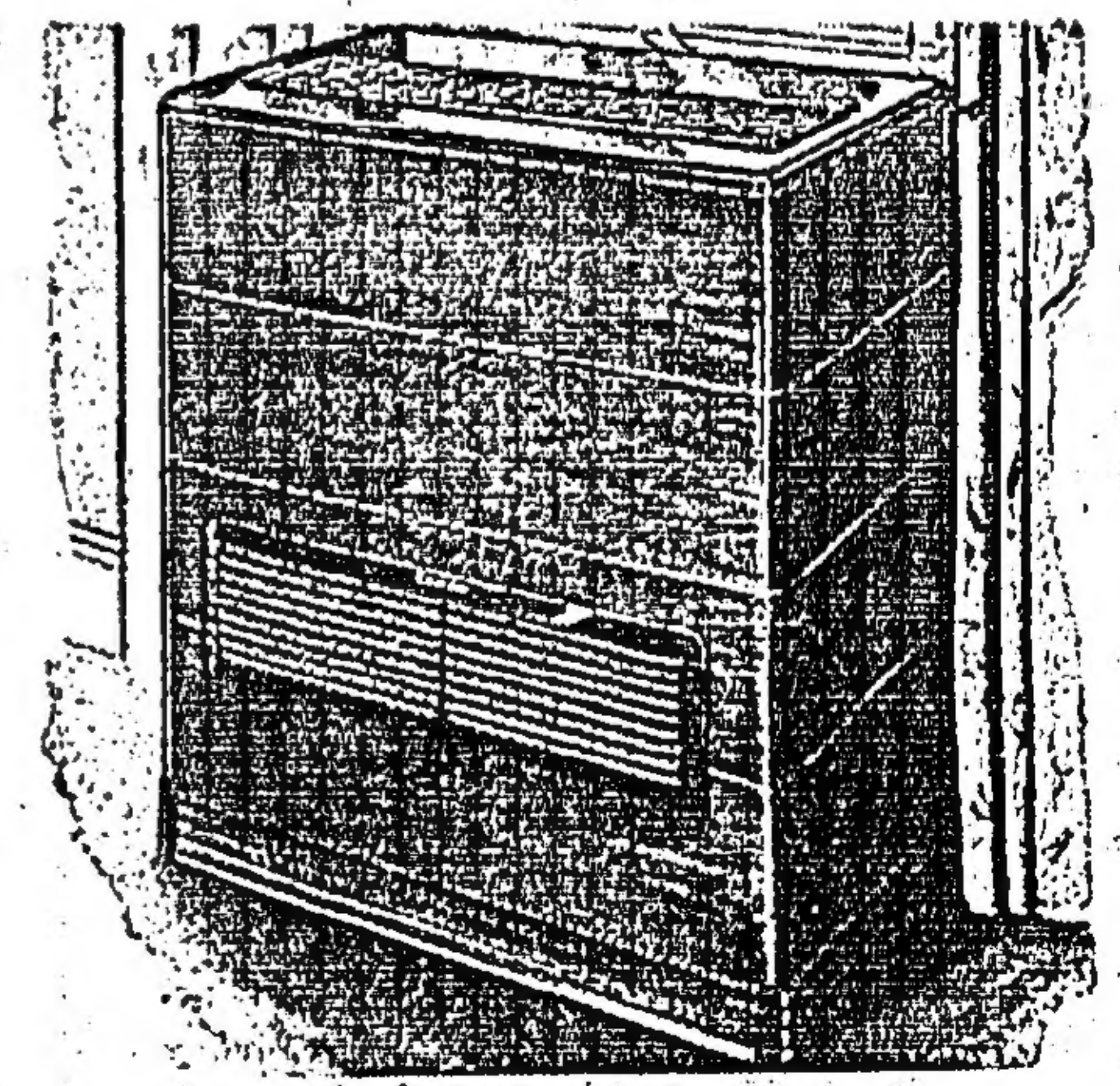
Sir William Dawson, former Chief Civil Assistant to the British Resident Minister in the Middle East and Deputy Under-Secretary at the India Office, who is now chairman of the Board of Customs and Excise, is made a KBE.

Mr T. H. Newman, who was chosen last year to plan the Chinese Government's insurance plan for 400,000,000 people, becomes Commander of the Order of the British Empire.—Associated Press.

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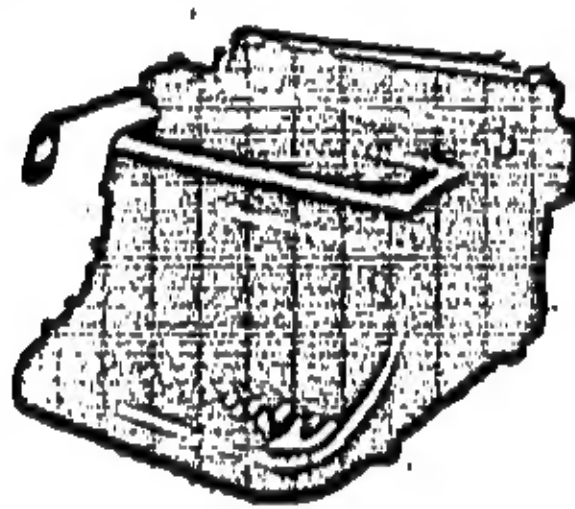
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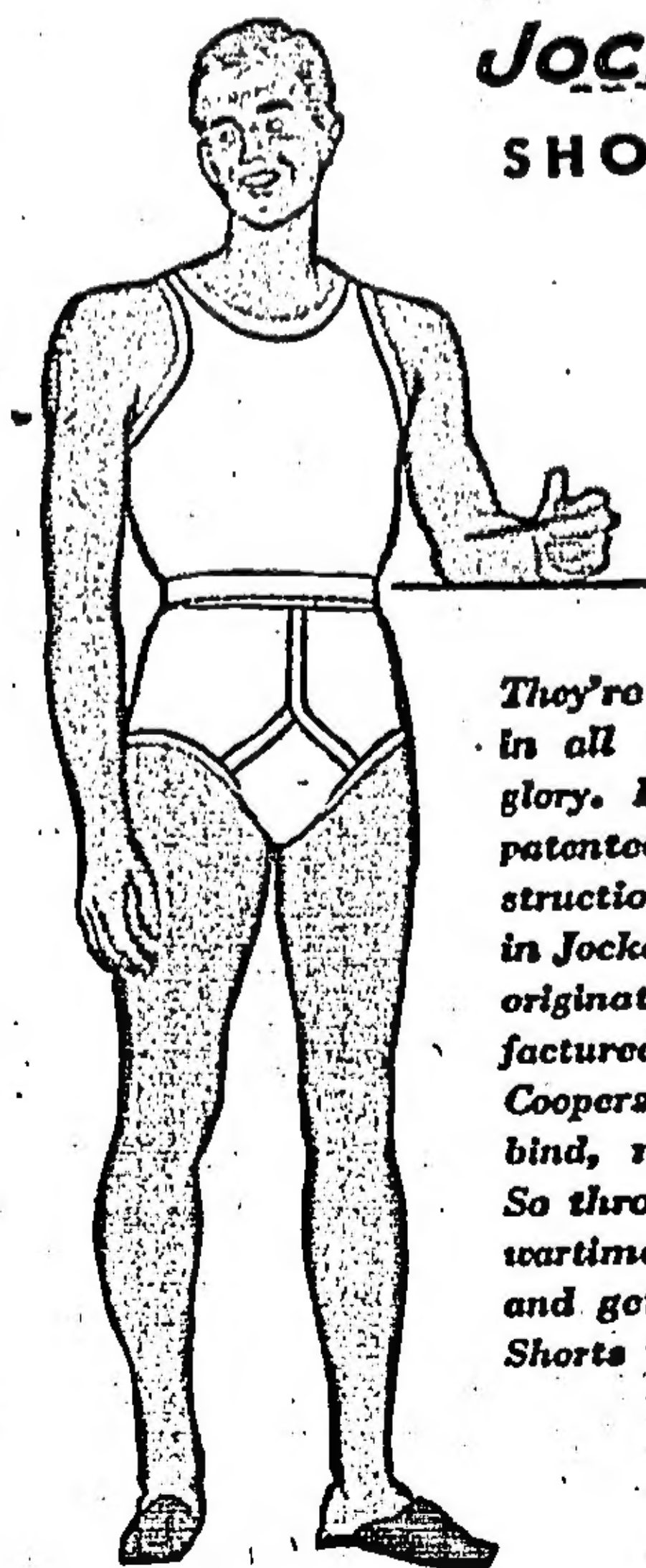


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WOMANSENSE

ALL WORK AND NO PLAY

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN,
M. D.

ALL work and no play has never seemed to be a good plan for living. And in these high-tension modern days, when nearly every body works under stress of one kind or another it is particularly bad. It has often been said that hard work can harm nobody; that it is never responsible for physical or mental breakdowns. And yet Dr. Charles R. Rayburn of the University of Oklahoma Medical School, thinks that heavy, prolonged responsibility, plus long hours of hard work, with little rest or recreation, may eventually lead to a condition which he calls Mental Fatigue Syndrome. A syndrome is a group of symptoms.

Servicemen in Combat

The symptoms of this condition are those which developed in servicemen during combat or in airmen after prolonged aeroplane flights. In this so-called mental fatigue syndrome there are changes in the personality. The condition often develops in persons who have a strong, nervous make-up and who, consequently, may have been given extra responsibilities. The patients complain of a variety of physical disturbances, such as vague pains in various parts of the body, headache, and fatigue. But despite their complaints they receive sympathy and attention. They often try to be alone.

As a rule, the symptoms are worse in the morning, while the patient feels better in the early afternoon. These patients are not worried about themselves, but they are restless, irritable, and unable to concentrate. Frequently, they are depressed. Most of them will recover completely when their responsibilities are decreased and they are freed, in so far as possible, from fear, anxiety or emotional strain.

In all walks of life, recreational habits are important. This in itself will do much to ward off the so-called mental fatigue state.

Another Condition

The mental fatigue state must not be confused with another condition, called neurasthenia, which develops in people suffering from emotional disturbances. These persons do not have a strong nerve system and easily break down even under the problems of ordinary life.

The person with mental fatigue will recover with proper treatment. The one with neurasthenia often recovers much more slowly. The neurasthenic is anxious about himself and his physical health. He seeks sympathy at all times, and may go from physician to physician, looking for advice and medical counsel. Hence, when the symptoms of mental fatigue develop, the need of a specialist is advised.

The Ballet Espanol Of Pilar Lopez

By Arno Dosch-Flourot

MADRID. SPAIN has a corps de ballet dancing Spanish ballet to Spanish music.

This is the latest development of Ballet Espanol created by Pilar Lopez, sister of Encarnacion Lopez (La Argentina). It was she who in co-operation with Jose Greco, the American dancer of Italian birth, helped La Argentina to develop the recent Spanish ballets in the United States.

La Argentina always hoped to develop a corps de ballet but her years of greatest accomplishment were war years in the United States, and she did not have the choice of young Spanish dancers that there was to be found in Spain.

As it is the corps de ballet consists of only 10. But when they dance the "Capricho Espanol" of Rimsky-Korsakoff, their own favourite bit of dancing with Pilar Lopez, Jose Greco, and with the brilliant young Mexican, Manolo Vargas (also of La Argentina's original company) as "Dawn," the choreography of La Argentina is as simple as it is "ballet" in the most classic interpretation of the word.

Personality Stressed

Being Spanish, this ballet is naturally very individual. The personality of each of the dancers reaches the audience to a much greater degree than in the ballet as developed from the Italian school, in France, Scandinavia, and Russia.

The "Three-Cornered Hat," though written 30 years ago by Falla for Diaghilev, was never produced by Spanish dancers until this winter. This was a second accomplishment for the accomplishments of the group. Pilar Lopez, Jose Greco, Nila Amparo (Mrs Greco) and Manolo Vargas who came to Spain from New York to carry on with the Spanish ballet where La Argentina had ceased her work of forming beauty through the dance.

Mr Greco, after two years, has not only perfected his own Spanish dancing, but, by studying Spanish life, particularly in the bull ring, has introduced into the national dance something which was not there before.

Spaniards know their dance, and as even the great La Argentina found, do not take readily to fresh interpretations, but Mr Greco danced a cano of his own interpretation last autumn in Sevilla before

the most critical of all Spanish audiences. He not only received one of his biggest ovations but was applauded, as few dancers had ever been applauded in Sevilla.

As there are many Spanish dancers across the world it is perhaps too much to say that Pilar Lopez has developed into the most definite interpreter of the Spanish dance. But there has certainly been no one who has danced before a Spanish audience in the past 10 years who had attained such artistic perfection. As she is the sister of one of the most graceful dancers Spain has produced the tendency always is to compare her with La Argentina, but it is now recognised that her dance is all her own and in two of her dances, "La Aguadora de Chueca" and as the woman in "The Woman and the Nightingale" from Goya danced to the music of Granados, she has won the right to be called a premier dancer of Spain.

Greco Gains Plaudits

Both Mr Greco and Pilar Lopez, faithful to the memory of La Argentina, have produced all their ballets with the billboards announcing "Choreography by Argentina." They have, in fact, gone ahead developing their own, Pilar with Los Cables, a choreographer filled with colours and securities, in which she has also triumphed as flamenco dancer, with the three, Greco, Vargas and Vega, playing up to her.

Mr Greco's own ballet, "Andalusian Flirtation," has become a favourite to Spanish audiences everywhere, with Mr Greco and his American wife (of Arabian descent), Nila Amparo, dancing the principal roles to the music of Sentimental.—Christian Science Monitor.

When Nails Are Dry, Brittle



If you suffer from a sensitivity to nail polish or remover, there is a special line of cosmetics with hypo-allergenic qualities.

By HELEN FOLLETT

It must be plain to every good nail seeker that when the finger nails are brittle, lack lustre and break constantly they have been robbed of the natural oil. In such cases the surrounding cuticle is likely to be dry and hangnails appear. Friction with a cuticle cream is of benefit, or mineral oil can be applied. Inasmuch as the nail grows from the root, gets its nourishment from the matrix, or nail bed, the oil cannot penetrate if the skin has been allowed to grow up and cling to the nail fabric.

Keeping the flesh free is an important part of nail beautifying. Place a tiny pledget of cotton on a face-painted orange wood stick, run it around the nail base, at the sides and under the eaves.

Daily care is necessary even if one has a weekly appointment with the manicurist. Eaves should be cleaned with a nail-white pencil. The flesh should be pushed back gently after the hands have been washed and dried. Polish must be renewed. Patchy polish is worse than no shine at all. The fastidious woman is ever on the watch.

The nail, to be lovely, should not be flat; it should arch slightly from the finger base. The oval shape is considered the most beautiful. At the base there should be a half moon, which is composed of new cells that have emerged from the matrix.

When shaping your nails, use a long, flexible steel file. Buy the very best. A dull file is a nuisance and a torment. Run the orange wood stick under the eaves afterwards. It will bring out little undecayed shreds that must be removed with the beveling file or emery board.

Before applying polish see that not a particle of oil or cream remains on. You can put cream on polish but you can't put polish on cream. Or, if you do, it won't stick.

Reliction your fingers at odd moments. By stimulating the underlying blood streams you will preserve colouring and fine texture.

If you are one of those unfortunate women with a nail polish sensitivity there is a special line of cosmetics, including polish, remover etc., which has hypo-allergenic qualities.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Punch's Unusual Goldfish

—It Wanted to Get Out of the Bowl and Walk—

By MAX TRELL

"DID you ever keep goldfish, Mr Punch?"
Mr Punch, who was trying to thread a needle in order to sew back a button on his coat, didn't seem to hear the question.
So Knarf, the shadow-boy with the turned-around name, repeated: "Did you ever keep goldfish, MR PUNCH?"

At this Mr Punch looked up with a start and nearly stuck himself with the needle. Then he smiled. "Goldfish? Ah yes, certainly I kept goldfish. They were my favourite pets. Once I had a goldfish named Walking Willy."

"Walking Willy?" exclaimed Knarf in astonishment. "That's a funny name for a goldfish."
"Indeed it is," Mr Punch agreed. "But it was a funny goldfish. It always wanted to take a walk."

"I never heard of such a thing," said Knarf.
"Well," said Mr Punch, "you could hardly blame him for wanting to take a walk. There he was, in a little aquarium standing near the window. He could look out and see the gardens—see the birds flying, and the crickets hopping, and the butterflies fluttering, and the snails crawling, and the children running. And all he could do was to swim round and round his little aquarium."

"So he got tired of it after swimming round and round it for three or four years. And all he could think of was how much fun it would be to jump out and take a walk. Everytime he heard my mother say to me: 'Punch dear, would you mind walking to the grocer's and getting a dozen eggs?' he'd dash up and down, I could see his mouth opening and shutting, as though he were trying to speak.
"And the curious thing was," Mr Punch went on, "he was trying to speak. One day I put my ear close to the glass side of Willy's aquarium and listened."

"What was he saying?" Knarf asked eagerly.
"He was saying—'Willy wants to walk! Willy wants to walk! Naturally, I was surprised. It was not only the first time I had ever heard a goldfish speak, but the first time I had ever heard one saying: 'he wanted to take a walk!'"
"Well, I tried to tell him that was impossible. I shook my head. I



The fish followed Mr. Punch down the road.

shouted that goldfish couldn't walk. He was terribly disappointed."

"Oh!" said Knarf.
"Yes," said Mr Punch, "he went and swam under a plant in the corner of his aquarium and wouldn't come out for three days—except for meals. But one day he did take a walk."

"He did, Mr Punch?"

Last Walk

"Yes...he did. And it was the last walk he ever took. I remember exactly how it happened. I was walking to the grocer's to buy my mother a pound of butter when all at once I heard a slip-slap, slip-slap behind me. I knew it wasn't a dog, or a cat. Dogs go pat-pat-pat-pat, and cats go pit-pit-pit-pit. So I glanced over my shoulder and sure enough it was my goldfish Willy, walking behind me with his head up and his eyes shining and his tail flapping in the breeze."

"What did you do?" cried Knarf.
Mr Punch smiled. "Ah, I did a very clever thing. I knew he couldn't last very long outside the water, so I shouted: 'Follow me, Willy! And I can as fast I could down the hill, right up to the edge of the pond. And then suddenly I walked in, and Willy walked in right after me. And that was the end of his walk—into the pond and away. That was the last I ever saw of Willy. He's been walking in that big, roomy pond ever since!"
Then Mr Punch smiled again, and continued threading the needle to sew the button on his coat.

THE ROUGH ROLLER



By ALICE ALDEN

YOUNG, BLITHE and full of saw with a deep crown and softly verve—that's the roller, a hat cushioned brim. Navy blue gros-grain typifies youthful appeal. Anne grain band and streamers punctuate Portinou contributes her version of ed by a spike of cherries tells a popular hat, a model in natural uprightly trimming story.

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BY FRED HARMAN

POSERS

EVERYBODY'S FENNIES

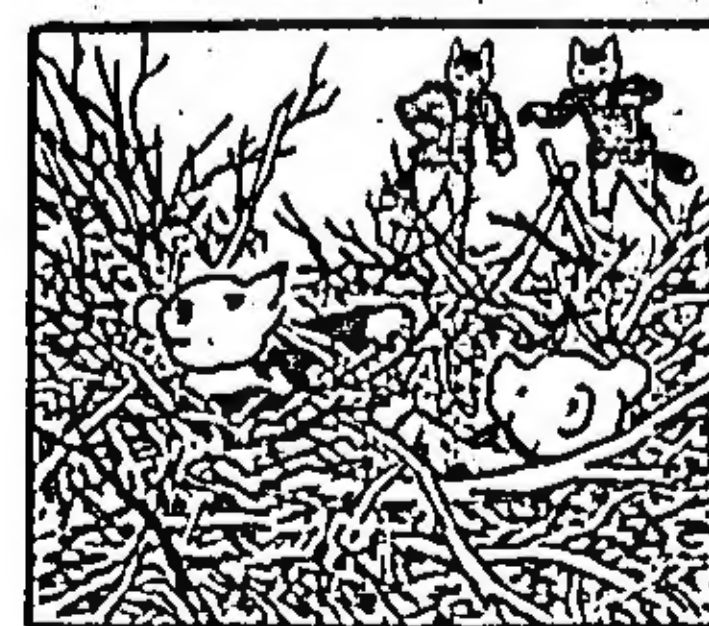
Are you, worth your weight in gold? See if you can give the name of the coin used by these 10 different countries. The sentences will give hints to help you. Correct answers are below:—

1. Did you ever wear a garland around your neck in Rumania?
2. There is a withered old woman in Czechoslovakia.
3. You don't have to go to Peru to study about the seventh sign of the zodiac.
4. Simon —, born in Venezuela, was often called "the liberator" of South America.
5. People of France are said to be as candid as the coin of their country.
6. A citizen of The Netherlands, who brightens or embellishes something is what?
7. Bad leaders left an evil imprint on Germany.
8. Do they have inclosures for dogs in Egypt?
9. In a letter to Costa Rica the student left out which punctuation mark?
10. This coin of Greece gave its name to one of the apothecaries' weights.

POSER ANSWERS

1—Lira (Lira). 2—Drachma (drachma). 3—Guilder (Guilder). 4—Sol (Sol). 5—Franc (Franc). 6—Florin (Florin). 7—Mark (Mark). 8—Pound (Pound). 9—Lira (Lira). 10—Lira (Lira).

Rupert's Island Adventure—8



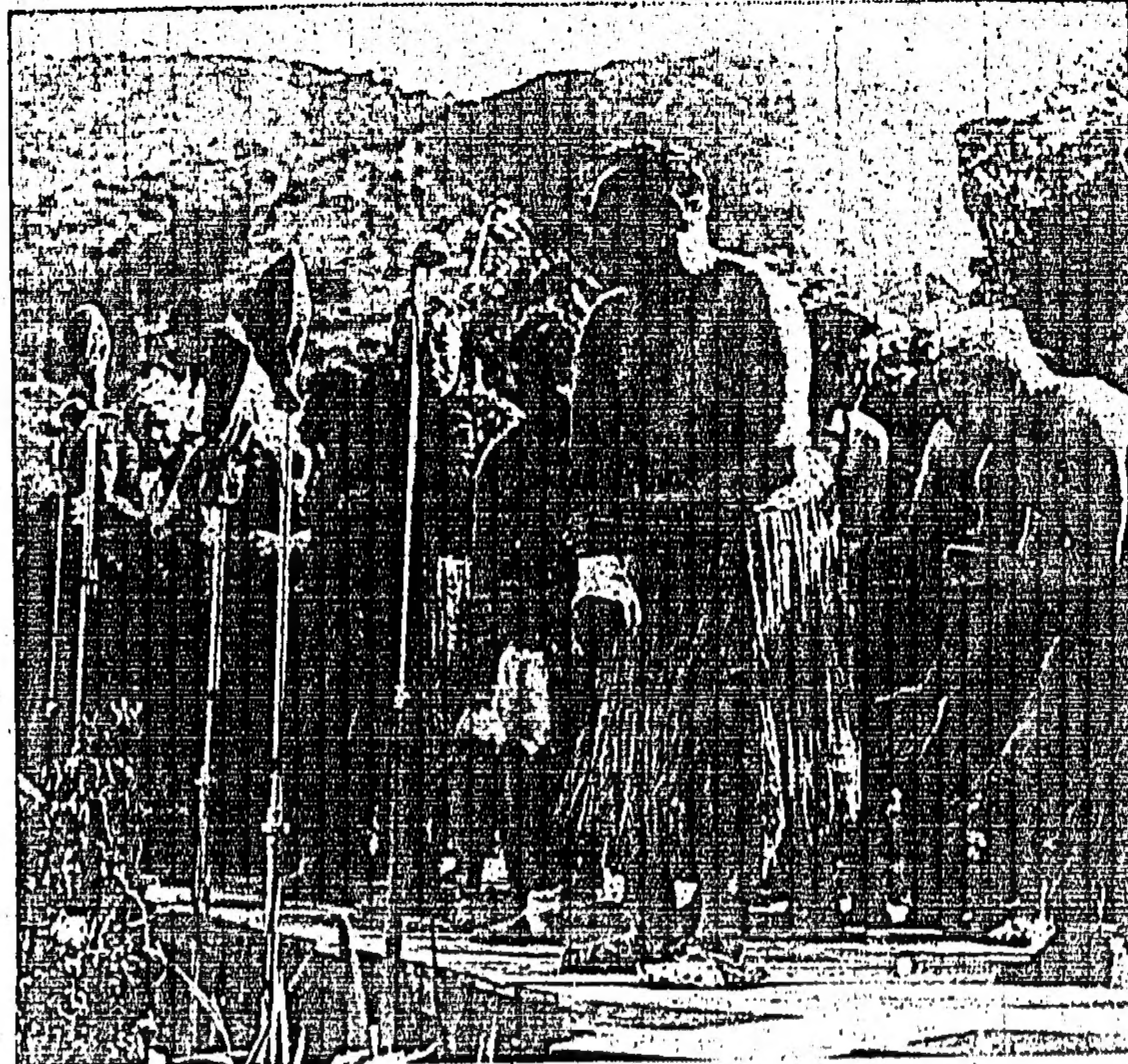
Ferdie disappears from the entrance to the shelter and almost at once Willy, who is still suspicious, suggests that they go out again. At that moment there is a loud creak, the shelter aways violently and the whole thing collapses in ruin on top of the two pals. Struggling to get their heads free, they see the foxes laughing and teasing at them. "I see their trick," gasps Rupert. "They had a string to those long branches that they tied together. They were planning all the time to pull the shelter down!"

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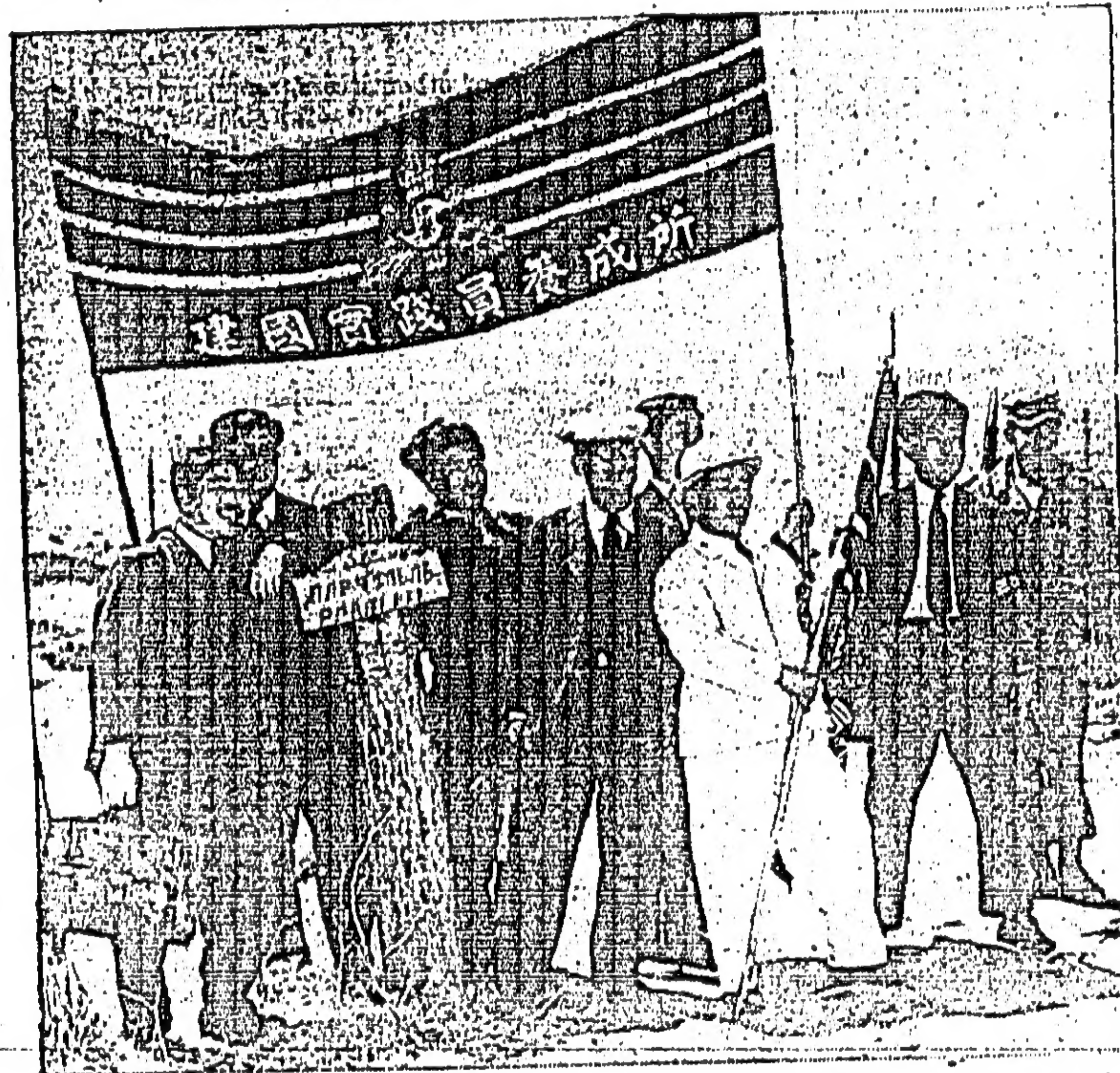
GREEK HEAVY WEAPON—Greek officers and an American observer, Major James Nagel (extreme right) watch a gun crew fire a 25-pounder at a guerilla position in the Golna Mountains near Gravia, Greece, during the Greek Army's spring offensive. Rebel strength was cut along the main Athens to Salonika railway and highway, which they had been threatening.



NEW ZEALAND CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION—Maori tribesmen dance the traditional Haka as they welcome descendants of New Zealand's first settlers in Otago during celebration ceremonies. The first landing, which took place on March 23, 1848, was re-enacted.



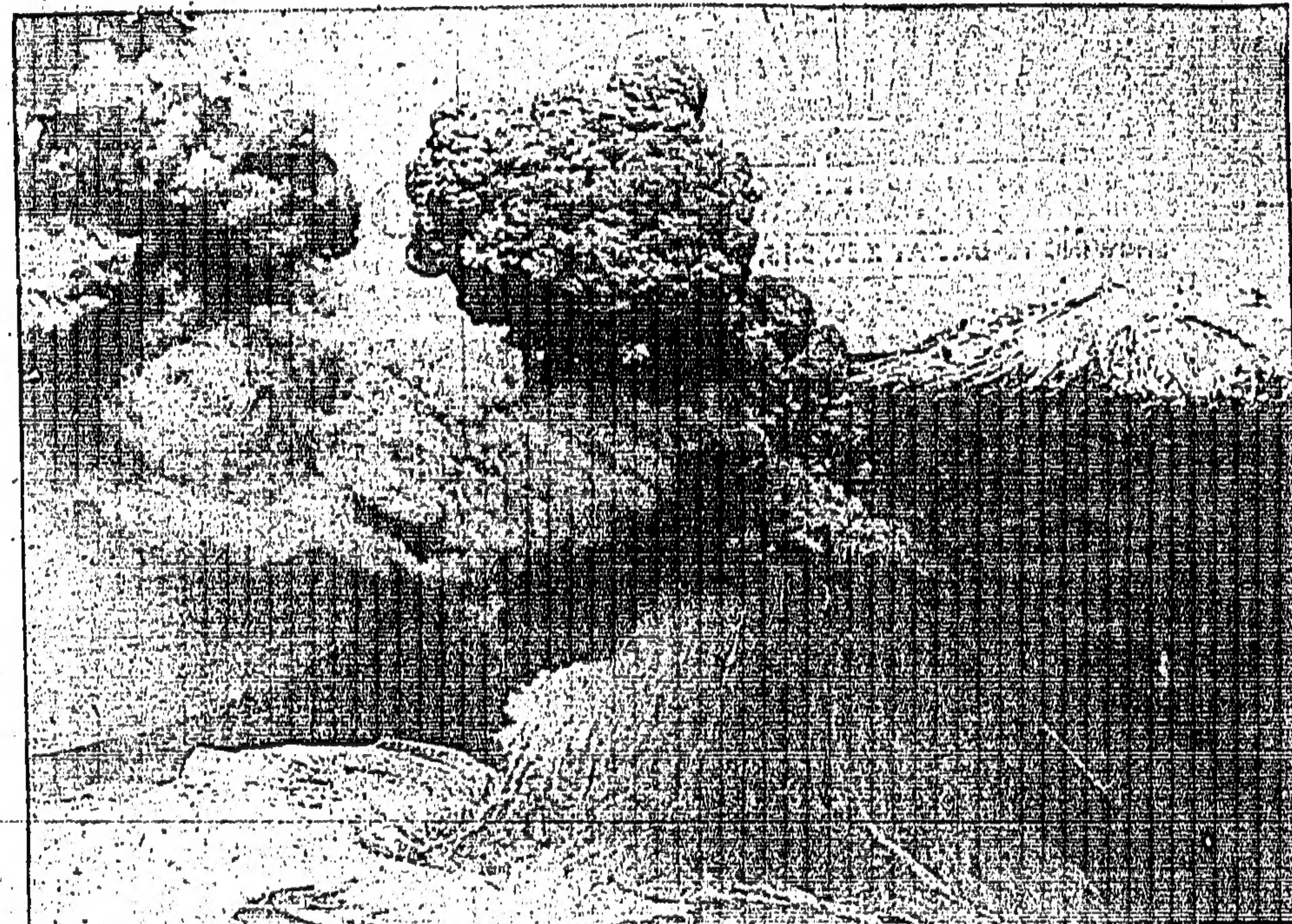
TREE DWELLER EVICTED—Perched 65 feet above the ground in a live oak tree in West Orange, New Jersey, is the home of C. Melkon Arslanian. He reported to the authorities that he was being evicted from his tree home, and was fighting the order. Arslanian built his tree home 16 years ago.



KOREAN TROUBLE SPOT—With the Soviet Union controlling the portion of Korea above the 38th parallel and the United States the portion below that line, there has never been an agreement on setting up a government for the whole country. With the backing of the UN, the American authorities encouraged southern Koreans to hold elections for seats in a constituent assembly for the first time. Communist-inspired terrorists, however, tried to wreck the election plans, but the Koreans went about polling anyway. Russia, which had forbidden a similar election in the north, invited southern leaders to a conference in the Soviet zone capital, Pyongyang. Only Kim Koo, 74, and Dr. Kim Klu Sic, 66, attended. Here followers of the two wait at the 38th parallel for them to return. Guarding the border is an American GI.



FIGHT RING TIP—With elastic waistband, reminiscent of a boxer's fighting togs, actress Jane Powell finds the latest thing in shorts just the thing for a fast game of badminton. The outfit is topped with a long-sleeved blouse with large contrasting plaids.



VOLCANIC WARM-UP—Coming to life for the first time since 1934, New Zealand's Mount Ngaurhoe poured out ash, steam and red-hot boulders recently. Pictured here three days after it started erupting, Ngaurhoe stands out in contrast to the peaceful mountain on the right. A geologist descended 200 feet into the 40-acre crater and reported no lava.

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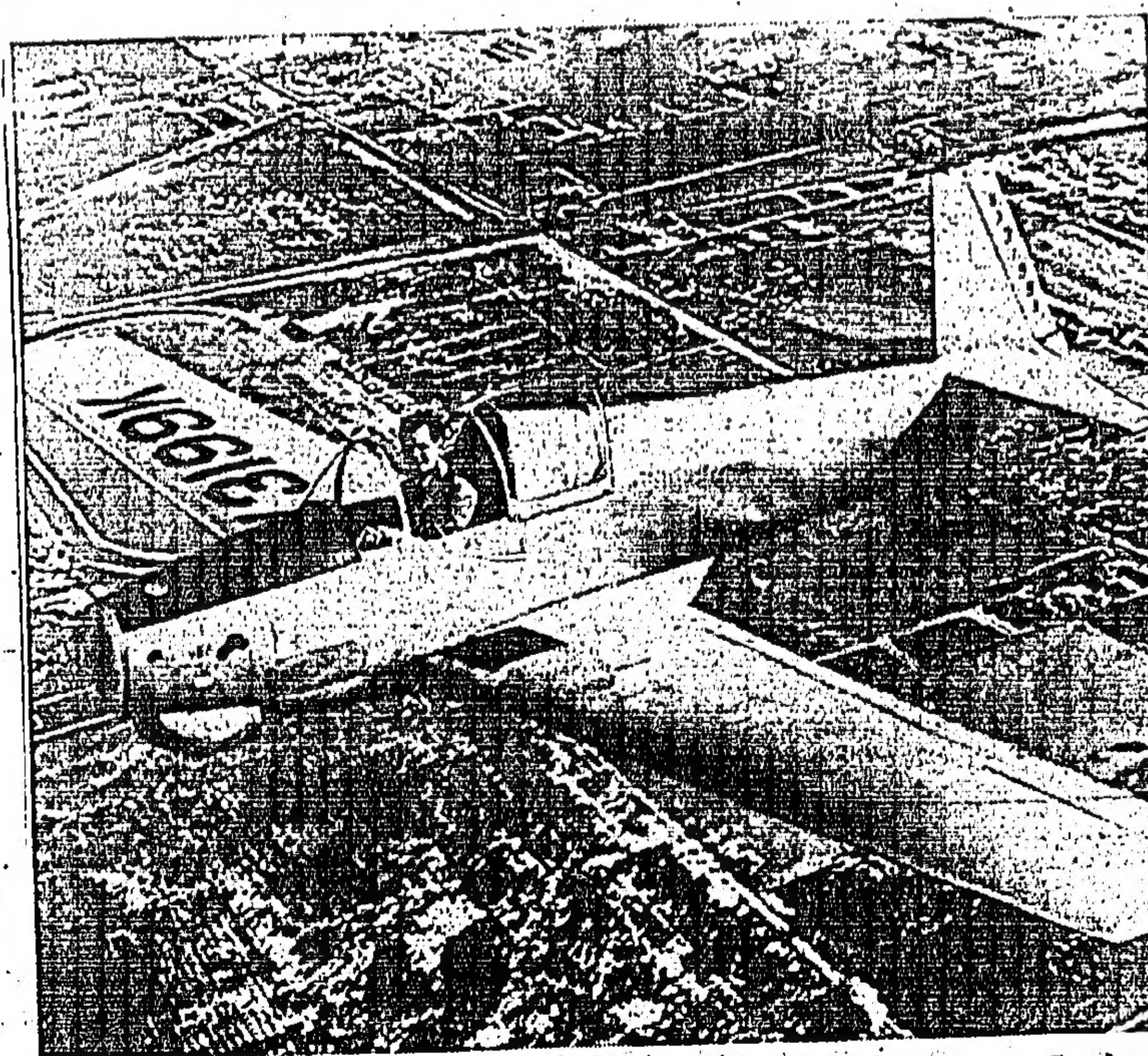
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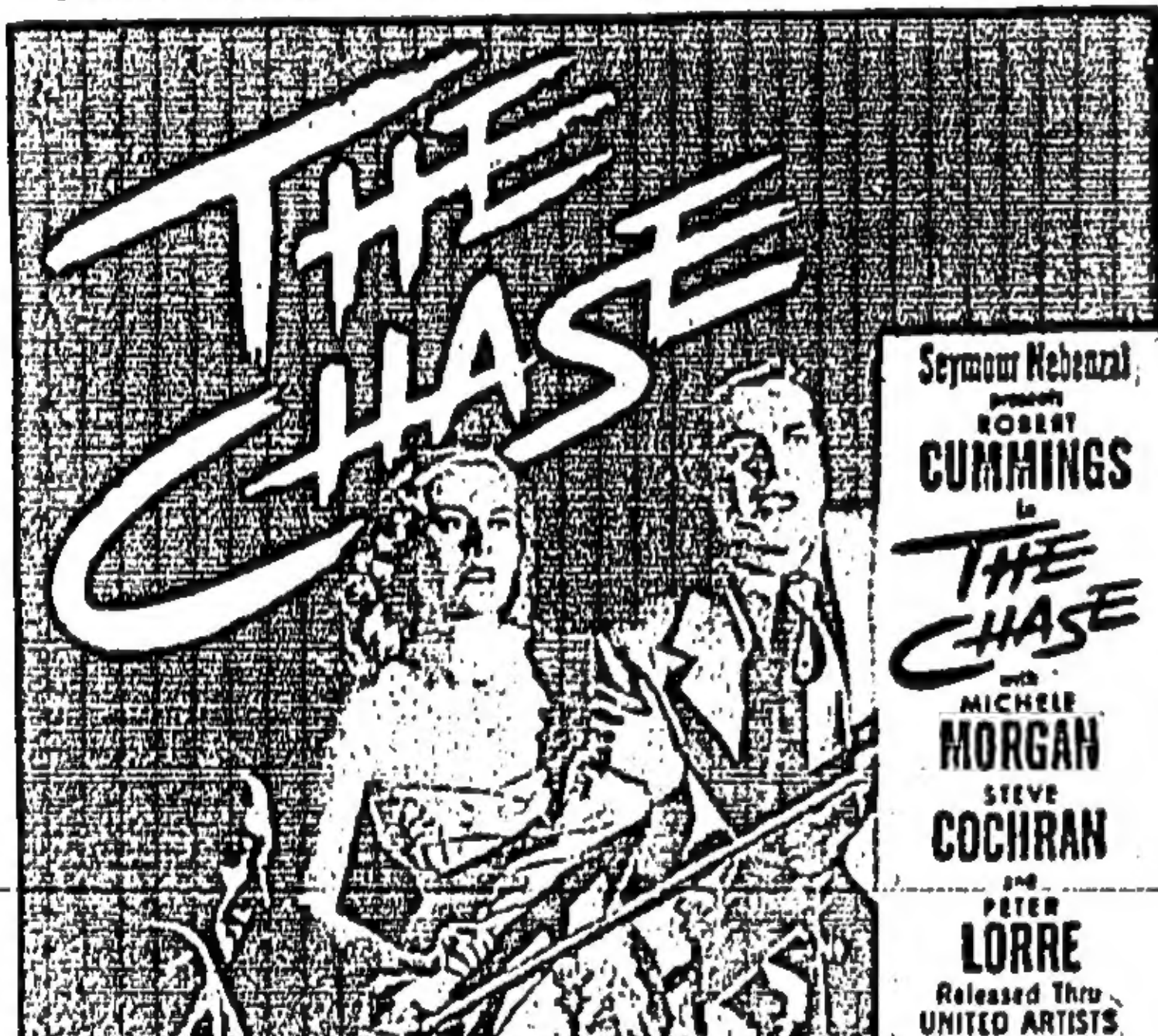
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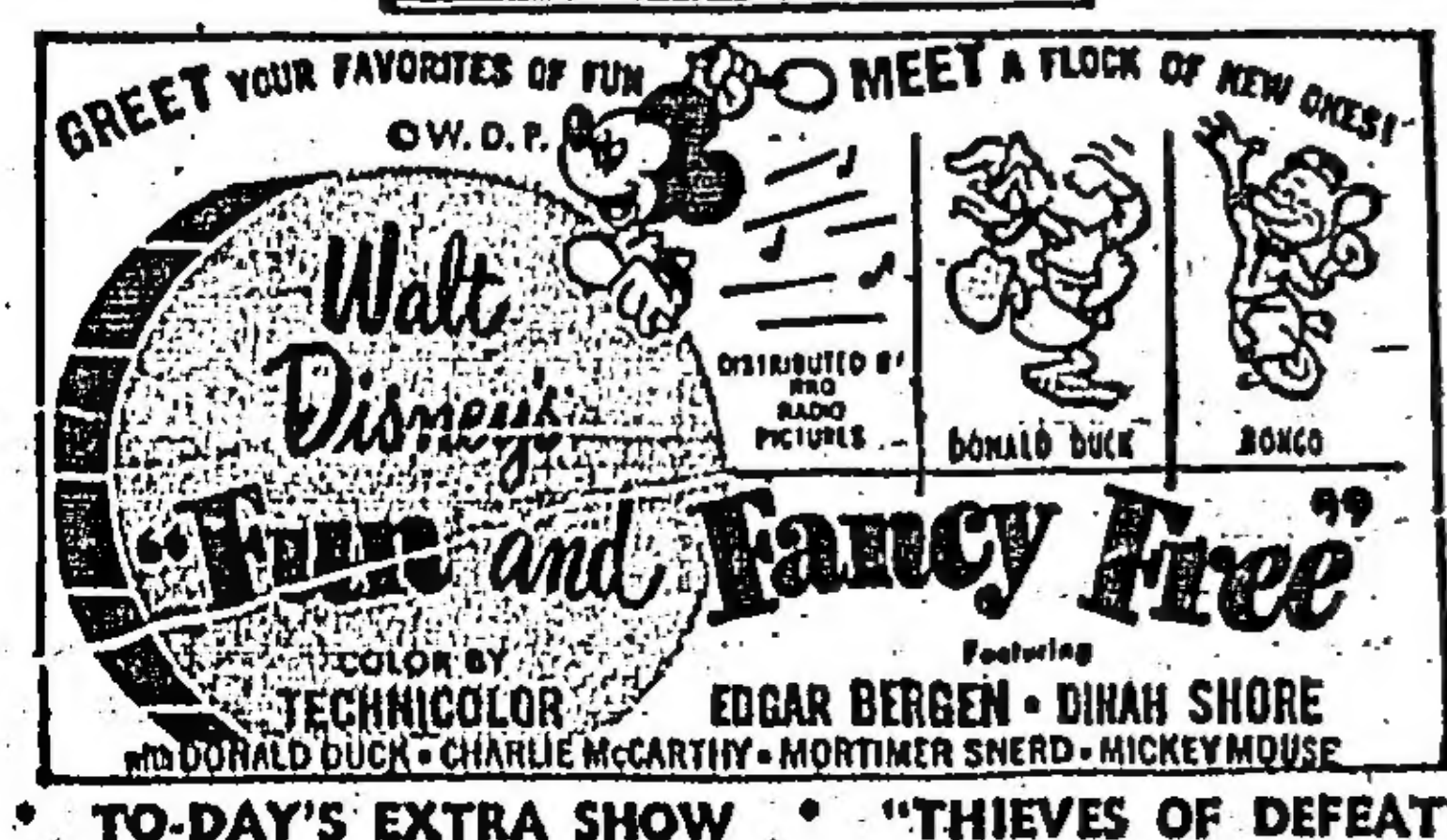


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TELEVISION MAKES ITS FIRST KILL

America's jukebox addicts switch their custom—and juke firms turn their eyes to the English market

BY EVELYN WEBBER

NEW YORK, May 25. **O**NCE, 50 years ago in America, there was a jukebox. Taller than a man, made of brilliant painted wood and shiny steel, and decorated with coloured lights, it was an automatic gramophone, which played a record every time someone put a nickel (threepence) in the slot. People flocked to hear it play.

Soon there were other jukeboxes. Nearly four hundred thousand of them in fact; one or more to every three hundred and fifty people in the country. They blared hit tunes in the restaurants, and in the bars, and at the corner drug-stores; the stream of nickels never stopped.

Now television has challenged the jukebox—free television; and the jukebox boom has broken.

Of 286,000 television sets now in use in the United States, nearly a quarter are in public places. In New York cafes and bars there are already 10,000 of them, compared with 30,000 jukeboxes, and television is only in its infancy.

IT'S FREE

INSTEAD of putting a nickel in the jukebox slot, customers now enjoy a free look at sports events or other televised high-spot while they sip their beer or milk, or eat their sandwich. Against this completion, juke men admit their business is "off."

"You see," one of them told me, "while there is nothing cultural about the jukebox, it certainly was profitable." He was right. Before television came the people of America were feeding 960,000,000 nickels (£12,000,000) a year into the jukeboxes. Yet the biggest costs only £250.

The jukebox is bought by an "operator" who presumes a cafe or bar owner to permit him to

install it free. The inducement is the absence of any outlay or maintenance costs for the site owner who stands at the same time to make a good portion of his rent from the machine.

New York's jukeboxes earn about £36 a week each. Of this the operator gets about two-thirds and out of it he buys new records at 2s. 3d. each. (The average retail price of records here is 3s. 9d.). Each record lasts for 200 playings or more, earning at least 27s. 9d. over its purchase price. Each jukebox holds 12 to 24 records.

As the records become worn they are transferred to less busy locations on the operator's "route" of about 30 machines. When they are useful no more he sells them to a second-hand five shillings each.

NEAR PANIC

DISCOUNTING the wages of his assistant (if he has one) the weekly cost to an operator of servicing his jukeboxes is about five shillings each.

"With television jeopardising this money-making proposition you can't wonder at the near panic in the business," one manufacturer's agent told me. "But we were due for a depression. The teenagers don't use the boxes much, except in Hollywood films; they haven't got the money. There's less money about all round."

Laughing uneasily he added: "Of course, it's only a temporary setback. When the novelty of television wears off, people will return to the jukeboxes. Meanwhile we won't make as many new ones as before. We used to sell a thousand new and second-hand machines a year. Now we'll concentrate on second-hand ones. It all cuts costs."

The juke men are trying everything to stave off ruin. Strong corps of salesmen are being sent out to induce restaurant owners to install jukeboxes instead of, or in addition to, television.

Where television is advertised outside the bars owners are implored to add the words "Jukebox, too." And jukeboxes are leaving the assembly line with more coloured lights, brighter plastic, shinier steel and completely visible operation, all to attract the customer's attention—and his nickel.

There is even talk of doubling the threepenny charge to hear a record, and reducing its playing time of three minutes to two or less in busy spots. Or enlisting the

aid of record companies who rely on the jukeboxes to popularise their records.

A new tone-arm has been devised to reduce record wear permitting 5000 playings instead of 200, thus substantially reducing the chief operating cost.

"And," said a manufacturer, "there is always England. Our jukeboxes would go well there, don't you think? Thirty per cent of our sales are made abroad—here a jukebox—going to Casablanca. We can easily alter the mechanism to take pennies in the slot."

"You don't think people in Britain would want to put 3d. in to hear, a 2s. 3d. record play for three minutes? They wouldn't like to inflict their own choice of music upon other people in a restaurant? And you don't think your Government would let us have dollars for our jukeboxes anyway? Oh!"

Information box
MOST SACKED CITY

Jerusalem, over which the shadow of Mohammed hangs once again, is the most-sacked city of the world.

From the time—about 1400 B.C.—when the Israelites wrested the place from the Jebusites, the Holy City has had few peaceful years. It was the scene of great bloodshed when the split came between the tribe of Judah and other tribes, and the Jews of Israel entered the city.

In 586 B.C. Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon sacked Jerusalem and took Judah into captivity. In 323 B.C. Alexander the Great entered the city peacefully, but ten years later Ptolemy of Egypt smashed his way through the defences.

Then came Pompey. In 63 B.C. Pompey besieged and took the city. Under Herod in 37, a great part of Jerusalem was rebuilt on Roman lines, but in A.D. 70, when the Jews revolted against the Romans, Titus inflicted great carnage on the inhabitants.

In 132 B.C. came Chosroes of Persia, and the city was again sacked, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre being badly damaged.

In 639 Heraclius defeated Chosroes, and entered the City.

Romans ousted. Eight years later Omar ousted the Romans, but did little damage in the city. He built a wooden mosque.

In 1099 Crusaders entered Jerusalem. In 1517 Selim I. of Turkey took Jerusalem from the Egyptians.

In 1917 Viscount Allenby wrested the City from the Turks.

ONE WORD COST TWO SHIPS

Typist wrote 'empty' instead of 'plenty'

by W. A. CRUMLEY

BECAUSE a young sailor misheard one word and wrote down "empty" instead of "plenty" of ammunition, the destroyers Kelly and Kasmir were lost in the Crete disaster seven years ago.

In the secrets of this tragedy, disclosed in Admiralty despatches, reference is made to a "calligraphic error."

The writer of the confession on what went wrong in the Battle of Crete is Admiral Sir Andrew B. Cunningham—now Lord Cunningham of Hyndhope.

He told me: "Calligraphic is not the word. It was really a phonetic error. It happened at my end. When the signal was being transcribed and typewritten the young chap misheard the word 'plenty' and wrote down 'empty'."

"I had intended to take the Battle Fleet out to meet the enemy convoy at dawn. That signal made it impossible."

Then he said: "I shall always be convinced that had it not been for that phonetic error, that one word, we should never have lost the two destroyers." The Kelly was commanded by Lord Mountbatten.

In language worthy of Nelson, Admiral Cunningham tells in his despatch of other errors, and punctuates his cold appraisal with criticisms of an admiral more biting than in any previous account of a wartime action.

May 22, 1941: "The rear-admiral commanding the 15th Cruiser Squadron was presented with a unique opportunity of destroying the large German seaborne invasion force. Unfortunately, in the face of heavy air attacks and with ack-ack ammunition stocks beginning to run low, he decided that he would not have been justified in pressing on to the attack, and gave the order to withdraw."

More ill-luck

"The situation was undoubtedly difficult for him, as this attack was certainly on a majestic scale. But it appears that no diminution of risk could have been achieved by retirement and that, in fact, the safest place for the squadron would have been among the enemy ships."

The commander of the 15th Cruiser Squadron was the then Rear-Admiral Edward Leigh Stuart King. He and his ships were being dive-bombed continuously for three and a half hours. The despatch continues:

"In the meantime a further unlucky decision had been taken. Rear-Admiral Destroyers (I. G. Glennie) correctly decided that the cruiser Dido must withdraw from the Aegean because of lack of ack-ack ammunition."

"But from very natural reluctance to leave other ships of his squadron to face the music after he himself had retired, he took the cruisers Ajax and Orion with him. This decision, although such results could hardly have been foreseen, deprived the hard-pressed C.S.15 (Rear-Admiral King) of assistance."

"Late that night a Most Immediate message was received by me from the rear-admiral commanding the Seventh Cruiser Squadron, from which it appeared, owing to a calligraphic error (explained above), that the battleships Queen Elizabeth and Barham had no pom-pom ammunition left. In fact they had plenty."

As a result the battleships were ordered back to Alexandria, leaving Kasmir and Kelly to their fate. But Cunningham gives praise, too:

"On the credit side, the Navy's duty was achieved. No enemy ship or transport succeeded in reaching Crete.... The losses sustained should not blind one to the magnificent courage and endurance that was displayed throughout. I have never felt prouder of the Mediterranean Fleet than at the close of these operations."

By heavens, it was difficult

— said Admiral King to Vincent Evans

TEN miles from where the battleship Warspite lies derelict on the Cornish rocks, dapper little Admiral King told me at his cottage of "the ghastly decision I had to make on that dreadful day, May 22, 1941."

"This is not a reply to Cunningham. He is my friend. He must say what he has to say."

He threw away a cigarette and quickly lit another. "The despatch describes my decision as a difficult one—and by heavens it was. Have you ever seen a destroyer sunk? It breaks your heart."

"But this is the thing. I made my decision—after an hour of bombing of my ship, the Nalad, at three bombs a minute, 180 in all—and I made it to the best of my judgment. I did order the ships to withdraw."

"But as far as I now know not one of the troops in that German convoy got through to Crete. They turned back. If our object was to prevent them from getting to Crete, we achieved it!"

'Burn the stools'

Admiral King then told me how, after 17 days at sea, destroyers out of fuel, he gave the order: "If you have no fuel, burn the cabin stools."

Patrolling near Crete in the early morning of May 22, the Perth, his only fighting cruiser, was hit.

"We went back in the Nalad to help her," he said. "We got five miles behind our force. Then they started to bomb us."

He picked up a copy of "Queen Victoria's Letter" with a three-inch bomb splinter still buried in its pages. "That is a near miss," he said to me, "which happened during that fateful hour." It was the Old Lady who saved me.

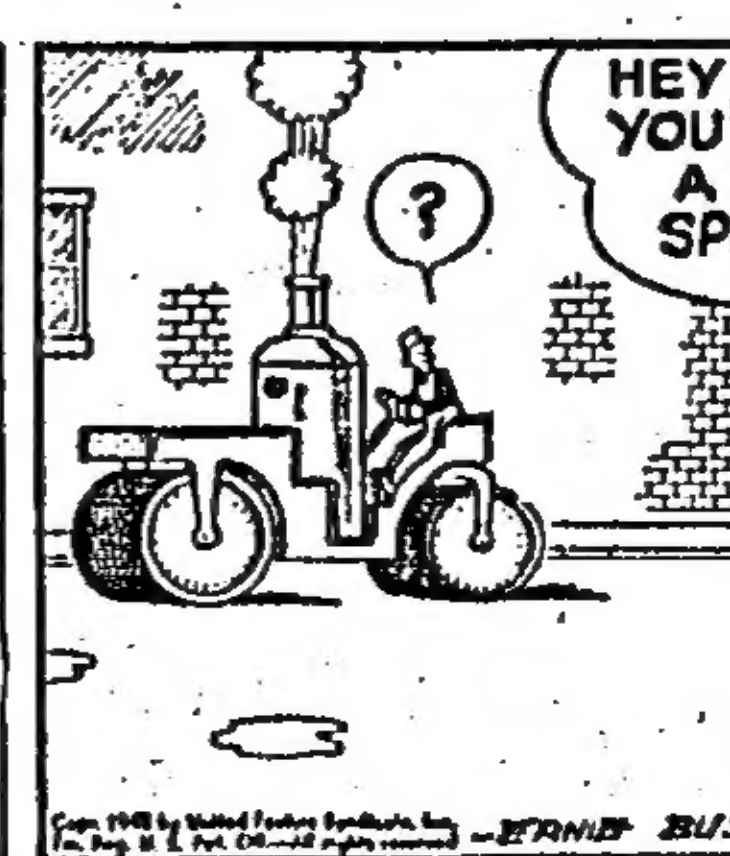
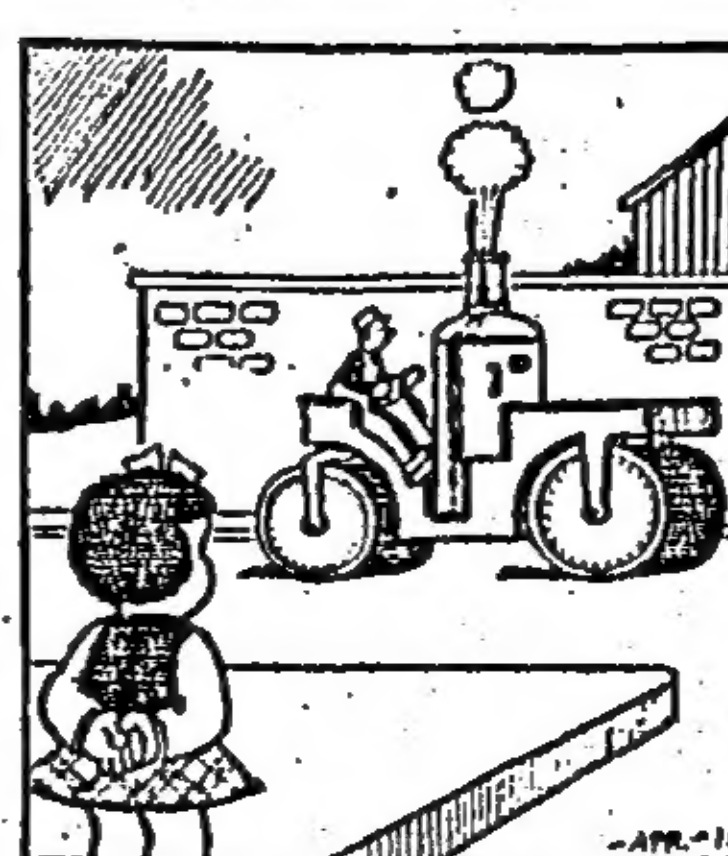
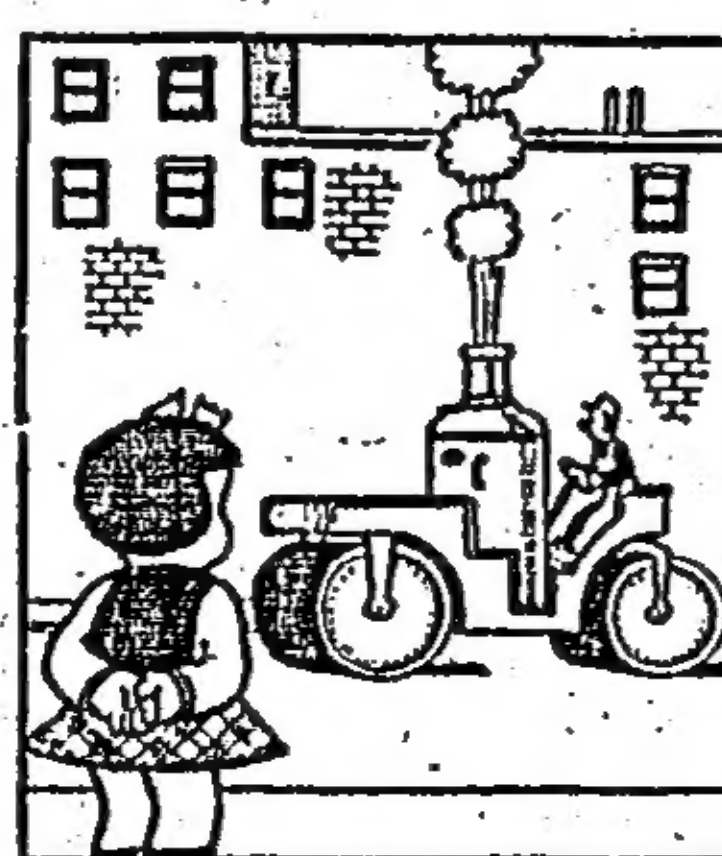
"After the 180 bombs, we sighted the German convoy, and I had to make my decision. I engaged the convoy from the Nalad, still five miles away from my own force. The Nalad had a couple of holes in her below the water."

"Warspite was hit by a 1,000-pounder. We were both short of ack-ack ammunition. That is why I gave my order."

Two years later when King, at 55, was retired as a full admiral, his wife died. He now lives alone in his whitewashed cottage, growing grapes and cabbages.

Behind him stretch the Goonhilly Downs—and in front of him the sea, and the relic of the Warspite which rescued him.

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LORDS BATTLE WITH COMMONS

Upper Chamber Again Throws Out Govt Bill

London, June 9.—The battle between the House of Lords and the House of Commons reached a climax tonight when the House of Lords threw out a Government bill designed to curb their powers to delay legislation.

SOVIET GRIP OVER EAST EUROPE

London, June 9.—Soviet Russia has for the first time established an undisputed grip over the economic life of Eastern Europe, according to official figures reaching London from behind the iron curtain.

Official documents disclosed Russia is at present having, between one-fourth and one-half of the total exports of the satellite states, who in turn have been made dependent to almost the same extent on supply by Russia of raw materials and grain.

This compares with the negligible Soviet participation in Eastern European foreign trade before the war, in some cases less than one per cent.

Russia has managed to win to date a dominating economic hold, comparable to that held by Germany before the war, over the Balkans and the eastern and central European countries. She has also broken into position held by the West before the war.

Penetration
Russian experts viewed the rapid economic transformation and adaptation of the eastern European countries to the Soviet pattern as one of the most important developments in Moscow's moves toward consolidation and political penetration in this contested area.

Strongest indications of these trends came from Poland. Official Polish figures said that of Poland's total exports, 28.6 per cent are now going to Russia, compared with 0.4 per cent prewar. Twenty-six per cent of Poland's imports come from the Soviet Union against 1.1 per cent before the war. The Western countries' share has fallen considerably under 10 per cent of Poland's imports which now come from the West against the 18 per cent prewar.

Official Rumanian reports said that three-quarters of Rumania's exports now go to "neighbouring countries."

Network of Treaties
A London Embassy bulletin announced earlier this week that Czechoslovakia "depends chiefly on trade with the Slav states."

The process is intensified by a system in linking the eastern European economies in a network of treaties designed to harmonise them with Russia's five-year plan, experts suggested.

Co-operation between Poland and Czechoslovakia has been stepped up to prepare for virtual integration of two of the foremost eastern European industrial powers, including joint development schemes for four plants and the division of labour in the planning of their future respective industries.—United Press.

New Ambassadors Arrive



Arriving in New York on the SS Queen Elizabeth en route to Washington are (top) the new British Ambassador to the United States, Sir Oliver Franks with Lady Franks and (bottom) Dr. Vladimír Outrata, new Czechoslovakia envoy with Mrs. Outrata. Sir Franks succeeds Lord Inverchapel. Dr. Outrata replaces Dr. Juraj Slavik, who resigned when the Communists came to power in his homeland.—AP Picture.

MARSHALL PLAN PACT:

High-handed Tone Of Washington Draft

London, June 9.—European Marshall Plan nations are expected to object to the "high-handed" tone of the draft agreements sent to them by the United States when they open pact negotiations in Washington this week, it was reliably learned here today.

Soviets Refuse To Give Up Radio Berlin

Berlin, June 9.—The Russian Military Governor, Lieut.-General Mihail Dratvin, today bluntly rejected the British demand that the Russians vacate Radio Berlin, inside the British sector.

Dratvin wrote the British Military Governor: "Obviously we cannot take seriously the hint contained in your letter of employing forced measures against the Soviet employees in Rundfunk House. You will understand that such an action will not be disregarded by us and would lead to undesirable consequences."

A British spokesman said that the British authorities did not consider the reply satisfactory.

Dratvin rejected the British request on the ground that the Russians have been using the building since May 1945, or before the British troops were in Berlin. He said that a building or the finding of a new broadcasting house for the Soviet Zone would take three to five years, and the Russians could never agree to that.

Dratvin's letter, addressed to the British Deputy Chief of Staff, Maj.-General V. J. E. Westropp, said that Soviet sappers could blow up the air raid shelter at Rundfunk House if that was the reason the British wanted them to leave, and added pointedly: "The Soviet Command would welcome the readiness of the British authorities to implement joint decisions on the demilitarisation of Germany, and, particularly, the destruction of such big fortifications as, for example, the air raid shelter in the Tiergarten."—United Press.

RE-INTERMENT AT SAIWAN

The remains of four members of the British armed services who lost their lives in China during the war are to be re-interred in Hongkong tomorrow.

The four were Capt. George McCaskle, who died of typhoid in Kunging in July 1942 while serving with the British Army Aid Group, and three Royal Air Force men who were killed in a crash while making a supply drop to a BAAG forward post.

The re-interment will take place at Saiwan Military Cemetery at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow.

Striking Students Demonstrate

Peiping, June 9.—Defying a police ban, several thousand striking students marched through Peiping streets today in an anti-American demonstration.

Three students were injured slightly in a scuffle with the police, since.—United Press.

BRITAIN STOPS ARMS TO ARABS

London, June 9.—Britain had suspended the delivery of arms to the Transjordan Government until the end of the cease-fire in Palestine, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, announced today.

This had been done in deference to the United Nations Security Council's cease-fire resolution, which had created a new situation there, he told the House of Commons.

Earlier, Mr. Philip Piratin, a Communist Member of Parliament, had asked the Foreign Secretary whether he would review the Government's obligation to deliver arms to Transjordan under the Anglo-Transjordan treaty of alliance of 1948 in view of the attack by the Transjordan Arab Legion on Jerusalem.

Mr. Bevin had replied that the Arab Legion did not start the fighting in Jerusalem and the events in Jerusalem did not, therefore, oblige the Government to review their obligations on their account.

Asked by Mr. Piratin whether this meant that he did not recognise any abuse of the attack by Transjordan on Jerusalem, Mr. Bevin replied: "I certainly say they did not start the battle. The attack was made on the holy places of the Arabs."

"I hope the House will pay some regard to the holy places other than their own."

Replying to a question whether Britain had made representations to other countries about the recognition of Israel, Mr. Bevin said that no such representations had been made, but Britain's attitude had been explained to several governments, usually in response to their inquiries.

RECOGNITION
The Foreign Secretary stated in reply to another question that Britain recognised no "body of persons" as the de jure Government of Palestine.

Asked why, in view of his declaration of December 1947 that Britain had accepted the decision of the General Assembly regarding Palestine, he had withheld recognition from Israel, set up in accordance with the decision, Mr. Bevin replied: "The British Government do not consider the recommendation voted by the General Assembly on November 29 could be invoked as imposing a legal obligation to recognise the Jewish State set up on May 14."—Reuter.

AMERICAN VOLUNTEERS FOR ISRAEL

London, June 9.—Major Samuel Weiser, chairman of the "Hebrew Legion," told a press conference today that the first group of American volunteers, belonging to the George Washington Legion, had arrived in the Jewish state in Palestine.

Weiser, who returned from the United States last night, said 3,572 men so far had joined the George Washington Legion, of whom one-third were non-Jews. The volunteers were all men of military age, mostly with previous military experience—armen, sailors and soldiers.

He said over 600 volunteers, including 200 Gentiles, had been recruited into the Maple Leaf Legion in Canada. Weiser added that volunteers for Palestine would leave Britain as well, although he could give no details.

The whole recruiting campaign, Weiser stressed, was carried on independently of the Government of Israel, but as soon as the volunteers arrived in Palestine, they would be incorporated into the regular Israel Army.

Weiser said the Hebrew National Liberation Movement had raised US\$250,000. In Cleveland and Baltimore, enough money was raised to purchase bomber aircraft to be named "City of Cleveland" and "City of Baltimore." Another bomber, "City of Toronto," will be bought from funds raised in Toronto, Weiser announced.

The total amount of money raised by the Hebrew Legion in the United States already exceeds US\$1,000,000, he stated.

Thus his campaign in the USA and Canada was a "huge success in terms of finance, manpower and supplies," Weiser said, summing up the results of his four-month trip.—United Press.

1,000 Japanese In Shanghai

Shanghai, June 10.—Shanghai's Japanese Community today totals 1,011 compared with a total of 21,000 in prewar days and nearly 100,000 during the Japanese occupation of the city.

According to a Police Bureau announcement, a total of 445 is working in various industrial organisations as technical experts, while the rest are just ordinary citizens.

Most of these Japanese are old residents, having been here for more than 20 years. They are allowed to communicate with their friends and relatives in Japan though their letters are subject to censorship by the Police Bureau.—Reuter.

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Margaret Sees Pope



Moving picture star Margaret O'Brien shakes hands with a smiling Swiss guard in the Vatican in Rome after an audience with Pope Plus XII. (AP).

ON THE EVE OF THE FIRST TEST

GEORGE POPE ASKED TO ATTEND AT TRENT BRIDGE

London, June 9.—George Pope, of Derbyshire, has been asked to attend at Trent Bridge, Nottingham, tomorrow when the first Test cricket match opens.

England's team will be chosen from 13 men, with Simpson remaining 12th man.

It is believed that this move is in case Douglas Wright should be unfit, but after some practice at Lords today Wright said that he felt much better. He is receiving further treatment for lumbago before travelling to Nottingham tonight, and will have a final try out there tomorrow before making a definite decision regarding his fitness.

A special police guard is being maintained throughout the night at Trent Bridge.

Because the ground is just outside the city boundary, men from the Nottinghamshire County police force were on duty and their task is to see that nobody interfered with the perfect wicket, to prevent people from climbing the walls and hiding inside the ground ready for a free seat when the gates open, and to guard the valuable stocks of cricket gear, food, drink and cigarettes, which await the thousands who will watch the match.—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET

London, June 9.—Tom Fritchard, the fast bowler from New Zealand, who has been showing such fine form for Warwickshire, today became the first man to take 50 wickets this season. He obtained three of the five Worcestershire wickets that fell before lunch at Edgbaston, and finished with a first innings' analysis of six for 59.

Middlesex, the County champions, who have not been doing well in recent matches were without Bill Edrich, Denis Compton and Jack Young against Oxford University, and had to field all day until rain stopped play an hour before the close.

A. H. Kardar, the Indian Test player, was then undefeated with 75 to his credit, while C. D. Van Ryneveld, of South Africa, had already swelled the University total with a score of 66. Bating an hour and 50 minutes, Van Ryneveld hit six fours before falling clean bowled to Gray.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

The close of play scores were: At Oxford: Oxford University 300 for 4 (Van Ryneveld 66, Pawson 57, Kardar 75 not out), against Middlesex.

At Cardiff: Glamorgan 210 for 6 (Englestone 65) against Hampshire. Rain prevented further play after tea.

At the Oval: Surrey 250 for 8 (Fletcher 78, Fletcher 50) against Lancashire.

British Women's Golf At Its Lowest Ebb

By ARCHIE QUICK

British lawn tennis has reached its lowest ebb ever. But what about golf, particularly amateur golf and women's golf in these Isles?

Our low standard was amply demonstrated when seven athletic American girls retained the Curtis Cup at Birkdale.

The Curtis Cup was an exact replica of the Walker Cup at St Andrews a year ago. We held a chance at the halfway stage when we were down in only two of six singles on the final day but then we cracked as the men did 12 months ago.

Experience in tournament play was one telling factor in America's favour, but another was the different mentality with which they approach the game.

Only ex-bomber pilot Dorothy Kiley of Los Angeles plays on a coast course, but each one of the Americans triumphed in a half gale at Birkdale after blistering heat the day before.

That wind should have swept them out of it. Instead it was the British girls who let it master them.

Only Scottish champion Jean Donald came out with the honour of winning her foursome and single.

BEST AMERICAN

The best American was masculine Grace Lenczyk. She slaughtered Miss Jacqueline Gordon after halving the first six holes. Grace actually did the first nine holes in 39 which is some going at Birkdale even for a man.

There is likely to be some straight talking behind the scenes when the Ladies' Golf Union Committee next meet. Some will want to know why Mrs Diana Critchley withdrew at the last minute after being omitted from the foursome and placed last in the singles.

In fact, why she was selected at all after a long layoff from tournament play in preference to Miss Frances Stephens.

Local Miss Stephens is the daughter of a Boole golf professional and talk of class distinction has raised its ugly head.

The fact remains that she knows how to avoid every turf of willow scrub on Birkdale, thrives in the wind there, has consistently done the course in 74, which was not equalled in the Curtis Cup, is Lancashire champion and, above all, has never lost an international match for England.

Softball In Australia

Fresh from the Australian softball championships, Victorian representatives from the metropolitan (Melbourne) area took part in the State championship against Ballarat and Bendigo, at the provincial centre of Bendigo, "The Golden City."

Also at the Australian title series was Ballarat, which represented the Provincial League. Ballarat scored a victory over Victoria in the series and were expected to extend the champions in the State title.

The result of the first match, however, told a different tale. The team which was expected to provide the fillip to the main battle shocked the fans by trouncing Ballarat in the greatest upset since the inception of softball in Australia. The metropolitan line-up were the next victims of Bendigo, which finally won the championship.

Ballarat and Melbourne are sadder and wiser by the experience. The carnival results have caused a total revision of the constitution, the major factor, of course, being the sound defeat administered to the HQ representatives by the country team. In future, State representation, instead of being solely selected from the metropolitan area, will cover the whole State, and, judging by the improved standard of the provincial players, the senior body will have to look to its laurels.

SOFTBALL FOUNDER

Miss Irene Burrows, founder of softball in Australia, presented the trophy to Betty Collins, captain and president of Bendigo.

One of the first Americans to visit Bendigo and play baseball and softball in exhibition games there was Bill Jost, the world record football and pass holder, who also played baseball in the Vic. League.

Best player at the softball carnival was "Doc" Herbert (Bendigo) and best junior Jean Taylor (Melbourne). There are 29 softball teams in Bendigo, 27 in Ballarat and 20 in Melbourne. The 1949 Australian Title Series will be held in Melbourne, and invited to it are U. S. A., Canada, South Africa and New Zealand.

Gordon Richards Cracks Two Ribs

Brighton, June 9.—Gordon Richards, the champion jockey, was injured and Slavina Ruler, a four-year-old race horse, killed when three horses and their jockeys became involved in a crash during the race for the Portlaine Plate at Brighton today.

The accident began about three furlongs from the finish, when the runners were travelling at high speed downhill. Austere, the mount of Richards, appeared to suddenly erupt and Richards was hurled to the ground amid the flying hooves of other horses.

Then Slavina Ruler crashed into the rails and Sam Wragg was thrown, while Nicky fell and threw T. Skelbotham.

Wragg and Skelbotham were able to walk back while Austere and Nicky entered home riderless. Slavina Ruler lay still on the ground and had to be destroyed, while Richards was taken to hospital for an X-ray.

Richards has been having an unlucky run with 20 mounts and no winner. The horse he was to have ridden in the next race did win in the hands of Michael Beary.

An X-ray of Richards showed that he had cracked two ribs and, after receiving treatment at the hospital, he was able to leave.—Reuter.

LEEDS TOURNNEY

Leeds, England, June 9.—Charlie Ward, British Ryder Cup golfer, passed 43 qualifiers into the final stages of the Yorkshire Evening News' 1,050 Pounds with a 36 holes aggregate of 134 today.

Ward backed up his record 64 of Tuesday with 70. The final 36 hole of the tourney is scheduled for Thursday.—Associated Press.

TAKING IT EASY



After riding "Bub" home in the fourth race at California's Bay Meadows in San Mateo to become the first American jockey to ride 3000 winners, Johnny Longden stretches out for a little relaxation with the help of jockey Herb Lindberg.

OLYMPIC PROSPECTS

AMERICANS THINK THEY WILL DO WELL AT SOCCER

"On A Par With China", Says Committee Chairman

By CORNELIUS RYAN

New York, June 3.—The USA Olympic Soccer Committee, putting emphasis on youth, speed and aggressiveness, said today that the Americans may provide a surprise at London if they have a little luck.

"The 15 men picked after the final try-out game at St Louis are young, strong and durable," said committee chairman Walter Giesler. "I think their speed and agility will offset the technical superiority of the European teams. If the USA should get a few lucky breaks, it could be a real factor in the Olympic championship tournament."

Teams from both Cuba and Mexico proved superior to the U.S.A. players in North American championship games at Cuba last summer, but Giesler said that the Olympic squad should be a better team than last summer's squad.

TEAM ON PAR

"I certainly feel our Olympic team will be on a par with Canada, Palestine, Cuba, Egypt and China," he said.

The 15-man squad was chosen by the committee after an East-all-star team played a 1 to 1 tie with a West-all-star outfit in the final try-out game. Eight players came from the East, five from the national champion Rhonda Delgado team of Tiverton, Rhode Island.

Giesler said the team had been selected in plenty of time to allow practice games both in America and England before participation in the Olympic contests.

LITTLE EFFECT

"Of course, these practice games can have but little technique of our men," Giesler said, "but the games will help us get into perfect physical condition and stay that way. Our players will be able to run every minute of the game, and run hard. They'll play hard, too."

"Soccer is the national sport of several countries entered in the Olympics; in America it's a minor sport. So we can't make any overly-optimistic claims. But the game is growing in America, and maybe someday we'll be just as tough in soccer as in track and field."—United Press.

NEW U.S. RECORD

The AAU tournament also produced a new U.S.A. record 201

American Hopes In Weightlifting

By CORNELIUS RYAN

New York, June 2.—With the Russians apparently uninterested in Olympic competition, American hopes for a team weight-lifting championship and three or four individual titles are becoming brighter each day.

John Davis, magnificently-muscled Negro from Brooklyn, seems sure to win the heavy-weight Olympic crown, even if the Russians should scramble forward with a last-minute entry into the London Games.

Davis, officially recognized as the world heavyweight champ after his victory in the world tournament at Philadelphia last September, set a new world record in mid-May when he lifted 1,025 pounds in the national Amateur Athletic Union championships at Los Angeles.

His old record for total lift in three styles was 1,010 pounds. His 335-pound press and 310 pounds in the snatch also were world records set at Los Angeles.

pounds lifted by Frank Spellman of York, Pa., in the 165-pound class press. Spellman's total lift was 855 pounds, not a record but still a good mark when compared with the 804 pounds with which Stanley Stanczyk won an international meet at New York last October.

The 132-pound class also showed improvement over the mark scored in last year's international meet, Bill

Bravo! He Is A Mexican Swimmer

By EDWARD L. THOMAS

Mexico City, June 4.—Ramon Bravo, Mexico's Olympic swimmer in the 400-metre and 1,500-metre free-style, expects to both gain and lose when he begins competition at London.

"I think I can knock at least a minute off my best times when I get down to sea level," he explains. "Mexico City is 7,500 feet high and it takes a lot out of a man to swim there. But my diet is based on plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables."

"I don't know what I will do if the U.S.A. doesn't take a lot of special food to London to help the British nations for all teams." At last reports, the U.S.A. will take no extra food.

LEARNED AT 11

Bravo, learned to swim the hard way when he was 11 years old. Playmates pushed him into the Rio Grande near his home at Piedras Negras.

Now 22, he had been swimming competitively for six years, and holds the Mexican records for 400 metres and 1,500 metres at 5:13.0 and 21:18.0, respectively.

Unofficially, in a Havana pool, he did 20.24 for the 1,500 metres free-style. He is five feet 10 inches tall and weighs 150 pounds.

Although he works regularly in the billing department of a power company, he finds time for two hours practice daily, an hour in the morning and an hour in the afternoon. He divides the workout into three parts: first, arm and stroke exercise with his feet hooked over an inner tube; second, he holds a small wooden board in his hands and kicks himself around in the water for 15 minutes; third, he "springs" about 300 metres.

For breakfast he eats orange juice, papaya, melon, cereal, banana two soft-boiled eggs, toast, honey, hot tea, lunch is the big meal, and includes two big glasses of orange juice, fruit salad, veal cutlet, creamed jelly, creamed corn. He has oatmeal, milk, toast and honey for supper.

He doesn't expect to win first place in either of his events in the Olympics, but hopes to be pleasantly close to the winner at the end.

Lawrence of California won with a lift of 675 pounds, and Emerick Ishikawa was second with 670. In the international tournament, Bob Higgins of the U.S.A. and Ishikawa tied at 661 pounds.

OLYMPIC PREVIEW

Fifteen nations competed at Philadelphia last September, making the tournament a definite Olympic preview. Only Russia among the important weightlifting nations failed to send a team, although the Soviets were invited and informally indicated they would attend.

After the tournament, the official newspaper Soviet Sports belittled the results and claimed that America competed against only hand-picked and weak opponents. But the entrants included Great Britain, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, France, Argentina, Holland and Canada as well as smaller nations.

Bob Hoffman, U.S. Olympic coach, was very optimistic after the AAU meet.

"After the world meet last September I said that Russia and Egypt were our only possible threats at London, and now I'm not even worried about them," he said. A 12-man U.S.A. team will be chosen in final try-outs at New York July 10.

AFTER SWIMMING 55 MILES

"AS FRESH AS A DAISY" By J. W. TAYLOR

Tom Blower, the Nottingham athlete, who is to attempt to swim the Channel both ways in July, with only a short break at the turn-around, has completed his first indoor rehearsal at the local baths.

He swam 55½ miles in 30 hrs. and said he "felt as fresh as a daisy." At the end of the swim it was found that his weight had dropped from 18 st. 2 lbs. to 16 st. 13 lbs.

The swim went 2,064 lengths of the baths and meant the use of 30,000 strokes. His first 25 miles took him over 14 hrs. and his second an hour less.

After 14 hrs. continuous swimming in which he covered 1200 lengths (about 25 miles) in 19300 strokes, Tom came out for a ten-minute break and had a meal of stewed beef, beef, oxtail, potatoes and cauliflower.

When Tom entered the 52nd mile of his swim, Trainer Cragg told him he was going too fast.

He raised his goggles in surprise, said: "Am I?" and promptly did a length in 44 secs.

Once he dived to retrieve a half-penny lying on the floor of the bath. It had been spotted by his 9-years-old son, Michael, who spent most of the time sailing a boat in the same pool.

BOXING

Joe Louis Reported In The Pink Of Condition

By WHITNEY MARTIN

Pompton Lake, N.J., June 9.—The mystery concerning the weight and general condition of heavyweight champion Joe Louis has been solved.

Disturbed by rumours that the champ was overweight and might seek a postponement of his title bout with Jersey Joe Walcott, scheduled June 23, the New York state commission sent the physician, Vincent Nardiello, to give Joe the once over.

"He's in better condition, mentally and physically, than he was last November 30 just before the first Walcott fight," the doctor reported after making the usual blood pressure, pulse, reflex and other tests.

"From a mental standpoint, he obviously is taking this fight much more seriously than he did the last one."

The doctor added that Louis is in better condition than he was when he examined him before the second fight with Billy Conn, and Louis himself verified this by saying "I feel better than I did since I got out of the army."

The champion really looked in fine condition, but the scales told the real story. With newspapermen as witnesses, Louis stepped on the scales.

They balanced at 216 pounds; after the weighing Louis said "I will still weigh 216 pounds for the fight."

When Louis worked out here for the first bout his weight was given as 222 although many persons.

"New Edition" Freddie Mills

London, June 9.—A new edition of Fearless Freddie Mills will fight Champion Gus Lesnevich for the world lightweight title at White City Stadium July 26.

A once rough and ready product of carnival rings, Mills has polished his tactics since he lost to Lesnevich two years ago—because he couldn't move into the sightless side of the foe he had half-blinded.

He's quit clowning, straightened up and learned to attack on both sides.

If the reformation pays off with a world crown Mills will reach the El Dorado of a career that started with his winning a novice fight in his teens.

Today, a bachelor of 28, light heavyweight champ of Great Britain, the Empire and Europe, Mills is the national ring idol. Currently the highest paid slugger in the land, he lives in a modest home in middle class Denmark Hill suburb. With an eye to retirement, he has bought an interest in a Chinese restaurant.—Associated Press.

RAIN INTERFERES

Newark, New Jersey, June 9.—Rain today caused a postponement of the world middleweight championship fight between Rocky Graziano and Tony Zale, due to take place tonight at the Ruppert Stadium here.

The bout will be held tomorrow night in the same ring.—Reuter.

Lawn Bowls Teams

The following will represent Kowloon Cricket Club in the Second Division "A" match against Club de Recreation at home on Saturday (4 p.m.).

J. Tang, R. S. Capell, R. Leigh and Geo. Lee (skip); H. Gittins, D. Hung, J. Tibble and A. Stevens (skip); A. C. Tribble, W. H. Colledge, F. E. Skinner and C. Pope (skip).

The following will represent the KCC in a friendly match against Kowloon Docks Recreation Club at Kowloon Docks on Saturday (4.30 p.m.):

K. Joyce, R. Voke, S. B. Trueman and J. Thindall (skip); D. O. McLennan, E. Meadows, W. Chain and C. Champelovier (skip); W. J. Robbins, W. Baker, T. E. Baker and F. E. Lawrence (skip). (Players to meet at KCC at 3.30 p.m.)

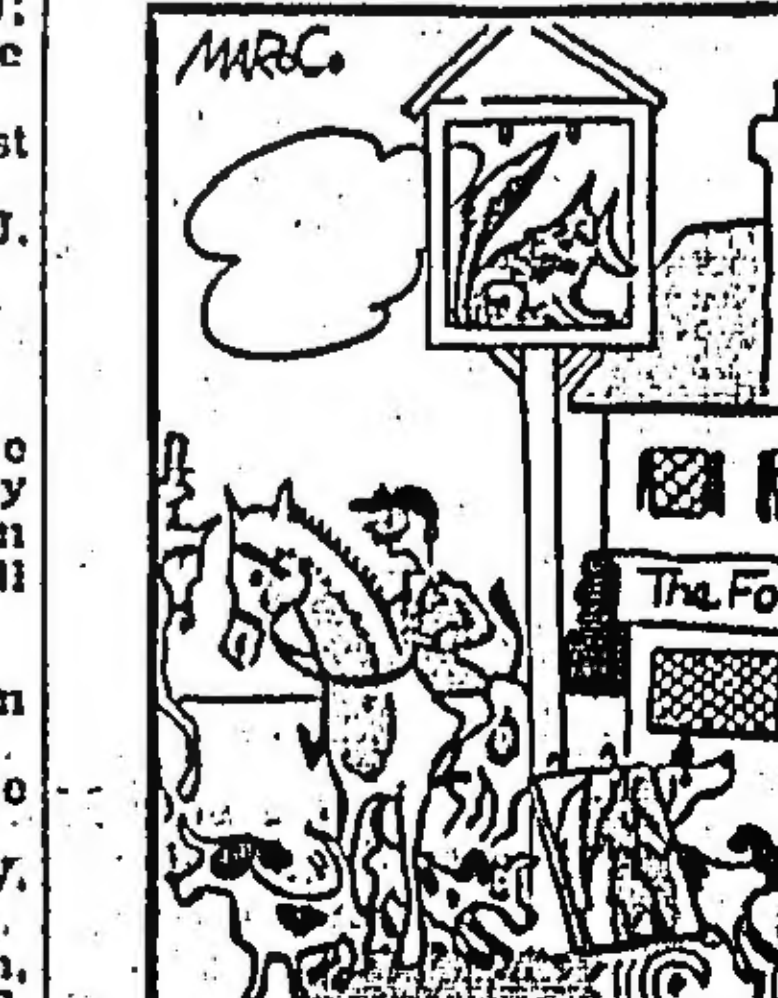
The KCC Committee Members' team against the THDVC on Sunday (4 p.m.) at the KCC will be: V. C. Labrum, E. Abraham, S. A. Gray and F. Goodwin (skip); A. C. Tribble, W. C. Hung, A. E. P. Guest and E. C. Fincher (skip); R. E. Lee, T. E. Baker, J. Tibble and T. A. Madar (skip); T. Lock, W. Chain, J. M. Forrest and J. Orem (skip); J. P. Robinson, D. Green, A. J. Kew and C. S. Rossetti (skip).

FILIPINO CLUB TEAM

The Filipino Club team in the Second Division match on Saturday (4 p.m.) at home against the Indian Recreation Club on Saturday will be:

W. F. Johnston, C. F. Lee, John Cotton and W. Field (skip); A. Taylor, J. Delgado, J. W. Lee and Y. Abbas (skip); L. S. da Silva, F. Rodriguez, W. Ogley and Dan Rozario (skip).

Reserves: F. J. Manalac, A. Dean, J. Laidlaw, Mrs Landolt and I. S. Castro.



FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"I'll be there in exactly one hour, Mrs. Jones—and please don't wait till I ring the bell before you start straightening up the house!"

LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Don't Concentrate Wholly on System

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY
BEGINNERS at contract are usually concerned about what system of bidding they should study. But today contract is played so generally that bridge writers are forced to build systems around winning tactics of good players. Bidding is important, but it does not good to get into a game contract and not know how to play the cards.

A surprising number of players would miss on today's hand for failing to count their tricks. We can win the ace of spades and ruff a spade. If the hearts break 3-2, we will make four heart tricks. If the club finesse works we will have eight, and the ace of diamonds makes nine.

How are we to get the tenth? Shall we depend upon finding, the

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♠ KQJ7	♥ N	♦ E	♣ 1098
♠ 100	♥ 100	♦ 1007	♣ 1007
♠ KJ85	♥ 100	♦ 1007	♣ 1007
♠ K9	♥ 100	♦ 1007	♣ 1007

Lesson Hand—E-W vul.

South West North East

1♥ 1♠ 2♣ 3♥ Pass

2♥ 2♠ 3♥ Pass

3♥ 3♠ 3♥ Pass

Opening—AK 25

king of diamonds in the East hand, or should we try to set the long club?

First we should try to set the long club, so we will let West hold the opening lead of the king of spades. When West continues with the queen of spades, we win that with the ace. We should not ruff the third spade yet.

We first take one round of trumps, then lead the four of clubs and finesse the queen, lead the four of hearts from dummy and win with the king. Now there is only one trump out and it is high. Our next play should be the ace of clubs to dummy's ace, come back with the three of clubs and trump it with the three of hearts.

Now it is time to ruff the small spade, then lead the five of clubs and trump it with the five of hearts. We go over to the good club, diamonds and lead the good club. Whether East trumps or not we are going to discard the four of diamonds from the South hand. Now there is no way to keep us from making another trick with the eight of hearts.

This hand is proof of the importance of learning to count your tricks as well as to time your play.

Check Your Knowledge

1. What is the difference between animals that estivate and animals that hibernate.
2. Name the author of "Alice in Wonderland."
3. With what do you associate the name of Duncan Phyfe?
4. What is a continental shelf?
5. Why is the lowest unit of weight called a grain?

Answers on Column 5

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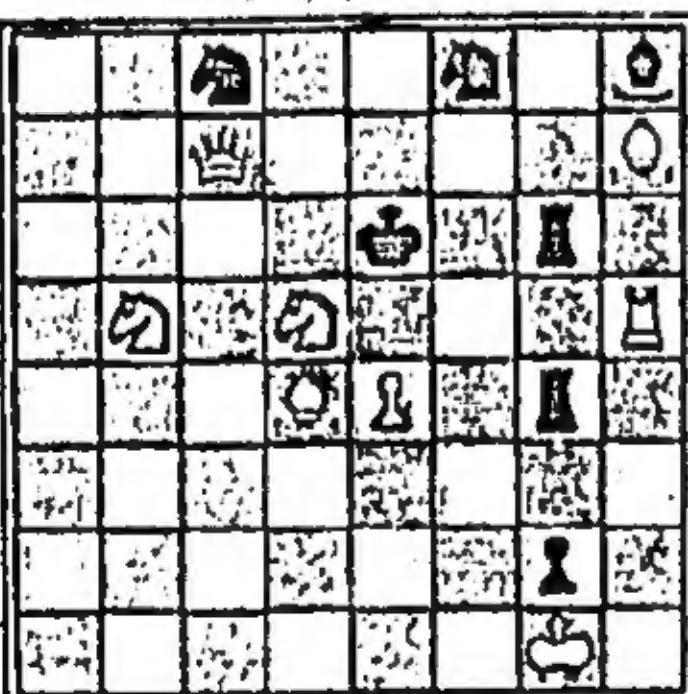
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CHESS PROBLEM

By ARTHUR A. PAUL
Black, 7 pieces.

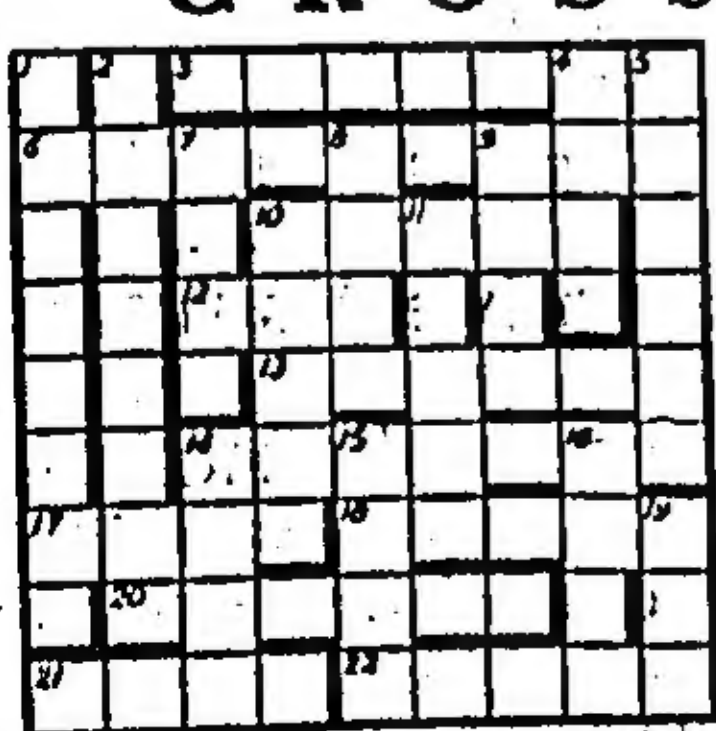
White, 8 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. B-R2. any; 2. Q. R. B. or Kt mates.

CROSSWORD



Across

3 and 5. Where the French may have isolated the imp. (10)

6. Naturally they have no warlike pursuits. (9)

8. A horse to the artist may appear enormous (5)

10. There's nothing in this electrical term. (5)

12. Superfluous to the model? (6)

14. None did in this. (7)

Down

1. Mice care for it this way. (3, 5)

2. an. 20. "Have a go" if you like, but they don't all belong to you. (10)

4. Sort of game that a puppy may play. (4)

7. Latin name for a spot on the beach. (5)

9. The way to end care. (4)

11. Cause of a pause. (5)

13. Here a place on the suppurates. (10)

15. How in the area most populated. (10)

16. Stretched. (4)

17. Solution of yesterday's puzzle. (Across)

18. Circled. (10)

19. 13. Lined. (10)

20. 13. Lined. (10)

21. 13. Lined. (10)

22. 13. Lined. (10)

YOUR BIRTHDAY

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

BORN today you have an insatiable desire for the truth. You have originality of thought and often make startling new discoveries, which others find difficult to believe. But you, yourself, are not one to take the findings of others on sight. You will want to discover all details about a matter before committing yourself to even the smallest decision. Consequently, if it takes longer than you think it should for you to receive recognition for your discoveries, just put yourself in the place of the public where "seeing" is usually "believing!"

Although you are fond of the arts and will be happiest if your life work is connected with them, you are not one to starve for art's sake. You are much more practical for that and if necessary will devote the energies of your early life toward making a comfortable fortune so that in later life, you may enjoy a hobby or vocation in the arts.

You have a surprisingly stubborn nature for one who appears so pliable and affable. Actually, you are deeply affected by your loyalties in love. You will probably discover this at an early age, and as you grow older may steel yourself against what you may think is a fatal weakness. Guard against becoming ingrown, emotionally, for this would only bring you unhappiness eventually.

Be very cautious in romance for an unhappy love affair could leave a scar on your life that you might never get over. Once, however, you have found someone whose ideals are similar to your own; whose temperament is compatible and who loves you as much as you love, then there can be unusual happiness and life-long contentment.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—A fine, progressive day when new opportunities offered should be grasped immediately and developed.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—A good day, both at home and in the office. Business expansions are favored now. Push plans to proper conclusions.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—An optimistic attitude toward your work will definitely pay off now. Go out after what you want and get it!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Personal and business affairs show a very definite upturn for the better. Artistic ventures should pay off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Increasingly good influences are highly favorable to constructive ideas of expansion. Develop your plans.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—If you are an employee, you could ask for an earned raise and stand a fifty-fifty chance of getting what you want, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—He who hesitates today is lost, so push your new ideas ahead; see that they get into instant production.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Expansion in merchandising plans can be favored now if production is put on a thoroughly practical basis.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Be confident and optimistic, for your plans show real signs of materializing as you want them to, now.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—The relations between employer and employee show signs of definite improvement. Each gains an advantage.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Dealings with the fair sex are especially favored just now. Business as well as social commitments may be made.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Morning hours may appear slow but favorable conditions increase as afternoon comes. Make your decisions then.

AROUND THE WORLD:

Wales: a Gallant Little Land

By TEMPLE MANNING.

WALES is part of the same kingdom as England and has been so for 700 years. But just the same, so different are its customs, so different its people and its terrain, that it scarcely seems possible that from the western counties of England one finds oneself in the gallant little land of Wales. The border counties of England, Cheshire, Shropshire Herefordshire, and the Welsh border county of Monmouthshire have common characteristics, and the heart of Wales is, so to speak, reached gradually. But, nonetheless, as soon as the traveller steps over the line, he knows he is very much in Wales, as we discovered when we stepped over the border right into Newport, in Monmouthshire.

Newport, like nearby Cardiff and Swansea, are very industrialized. To the west and north, Wales becomes a country of steep hills intersected by green and fertile valleys.

Famous Spa

As for the coastline, it is very bold and rugged. Aberystwyth, on the west coast, is a wonderful headquarters for coastal exploration and for visiting the central section of Wales. It is a charming resort town and a fine university seat. It is beautifully situated between the mountains and the sea, in a gently curving crescent, in delightful country.

Twenty-five miles eastward is Llandrindod Wells, a famous Welsh spa, its springs popular even in the seventeenth century. It is an easy run from the spa to the rugged mountains of the Elen Valley with its chain of lakes set in superb mountain scenery. The highly industrialized English town of Birmingham, 75 miles away, draws its water supply from this chain of lakes.

Menai Straits, in the northwest corner of Wales, is a marvelous section. At either end of the straits is a wonderful Castle, Conway and Carnarvon.

A little farther to the south beyond the Carnarvon peninsula, is yet another famous castle, Harlech. These three castles were built by Edward I in the thirteenth century, as part of his system of military bases for the subjugation of Wales. The first Prince of Wales, as the title is now understood, was born in Carnarvon Castle in 1284.

Within easy reach of Carnarvon or Caernarvon (its Welsh spelling)

ZBW RADIO

ILLUSTRATION: "I'm all dressed now except for my clothes."

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



"As an idle hanger-on, I'd swap the Court for the National Coal Board tomorrow—more money, extra petrol and not so hard on the feet."

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

It is being said that one of Chagall's pictures at the Tate is not a Chagall.

It is an example of what has been called his "Poetical Inventiveness," and shows a blue cow with the head of a red raven, standing on its hind legs on the roof of a gasworks. Spray is breaking over the animal, whose tail has a serpent's head. Near the cow, a woman with violins in place of legs is standing upside down in an opened umbrella. She has eight thumbs on each hand, and her head is floating between the cow's legs; detached from her body. But the gasworks might be a photograph of any gasworks, and this conventionality, this sop thrown to reactionary art, has aroused the suspicions of the experts. They say that if it were a genuine Chagall the gasworks would be a poetical sublimation of all gasworks, and almost unrecognisable.

Acclamourette Slopcorner

AND what, you cry, has become of that exquisite little horror, Mimsie Slopcorner? It is difficult to imagine that acclamourette living a humdrum life with her parents after being Miss This and Miss That, and mixing on an equal footing, with silly mayors and fooling councillors. Can one see the Fish Pudding Queen of 1947 putting the cat out? Or Miss Whaleshead holding the nails while her father mends the scullery window? Or the Nationalised Gas Fairy reporting to her mother the presence of a dead mouse on the landing? Be patient. Her public career is not at an end. She will soon be on the hoardings in connection with a campaign to make us all cat woven glass treated with oxidised zinc.

Atta, Bey!

THE sweeping remark that "The Algerians have no common sense" is handsomely refuted by that old Bey of Algiers who, when warned that the King of France was about to send an expedition to destroy the town, replied, "Send me half the cost of the expedition, and I will myself destroy the town."

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Estivators sleep during summer while hibernators sleep during the winter.
2. Lewis Carroll.
3. Furniture making.
4. The shore line of a continent which extends under water.
5. Because in ancient times weight was determined by objects in nature, such as a grain of wheat.



"I'm all dressed now except for my clothes."

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

U.S. May Establish Yen Exchange Rate

Washington, June 9.—A high official source today said that the United States Government was nearing a decision on whether to attempt the establishment of a commercial foreign exchange rate for the Japanese yen within the near future or to delay action again.

The sources said it was hoped a decision could be reached amongst all Departments by July 1. He added that if the decision should be in favour of establishing such a rate, then probably something would be done during July.

He emphasised, however, that no firm prediction should be made. One of the questions under consideration, he said, was whether an exchange rate could be established without underwriting it with some United States Government funds. He thought that prospects appeared poor that some or all of the US\$160,000,000 for Japanese domestic rehabilitation, which the House Committee had deleted from the foreign aid bill, would be stored by the Senate with House concurrence.

Another source said, however, that the consensus of numerous officials' opinion here appears to be that an exchange rate could be established without this sort of underwriting by Congress. However, he added, it would have to be limited with restrictions on authorisations and amounts.

Final recommendations from the mission on exchange were expected shortly, he added, and it was quite possible the final decision would be taken here within a fortnight.—United Press.

N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

New York, June 9.—Today's foreign exchange closing rates were:—	
Argentine Peso (Official) ..	US\$0.2977
Argentine Peso (Unofficial) ..	2.702
Australia ..	0.550
Belgium ..	0.22216
Canada ..	0.535
Chile ..	0.5317
England ..	0.5317
France ..	0.5317
India ..	0.5317
Mexico ..	0.5317
New Zealand ..	0.5317
Portugal ..	0.5317
South Africa ..	0.5317
Sweden ..	0.5317
Switzerland ..	0.5317
Uruguay ..	0.5317
Venezuela ..	0.5317
Shanghai (CNC\$100,000) ..	1180
Netherlands ..	0.5317
Singapore ..	0.5317
London, June 9.—	
Silver, Spot, per ounce ..	35d
Silver, Forward, per ounce ..	35d

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, June 9.—Silver, per fine ounce, as quoted by Messrs. Handy and Harmon, 40¢.—United Press.

LONDON SILVER

London, June 9.—Silver, Spot, per ounce .. 35d
Silver, Forward, per ounce .. 35d
—United Press.

Quotations For Cotton

New York, June 9.—Prices today ranged from one point higher to one lower, and closed as follows:—	
Spot ..	35.70 nominal
July ..	35.70-3
August ..	35.70 nominal
September ..	35.70
October ..	35.70
November ..	35.70
December ..	35.70-3
March (1949) ..	35.70 nominal
May ..	35.70
July ..	35.70
October ..	35.70
The New Orleans market closed as follows:—	
Spot ..	37.5
July ..	36.2-4
August ..	35.25-7
September ..	35.25-7
October ..	35.25-7
November ..	35.25-7
December ..	35.25-7
March (1949) ..	35.25-7
May ..	35.25-7
July ..	35.25-7
October ..	35.25-7

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, June 9.—Closing prices for Jarrilla (in rupees):—
July .. 7.27
September .. 7.20
—United Press.

CHINA PRODUCE QUOTATIONS

New York, June 9.—China produce closed today at the following rates:—	
Antiseed oil, per lb. F.O.B. ..	0.75/0.90
New York ..	0.75/0.90
Casla oil, per ..	2.25/2.50
New York ..	2.25/2.50
Tung oil, in tank cars, ..	0.24%
F.O.B. New York per lb. ..	0.24%
Sandwiches in drums ..	13.75 nominal
Almonds, regular assort. ..	3.00/3.10
Beryllium (10 to 12 per cent) ..	10.00/10.00
Molybdenum (50 per cent) ..	0.45

BRISTLES

Bristles, F.O.B. New York, per lb. as follows:—
Hankow, regular assort. .. 3.70 nominal
Shanghai, regular assort. .. 3.70 nominal
Chungking, regular assort. .. 3.70 nominal
Tientsin, 20's regular .. 3.70 nominal
Tientsin, 20's regular .. 3.70 nominal
—United Press.

CHICAGO GRAIN PRICES

Chicago, June 9.—Chicago Board of Trade closing prices today were as follows:—	
WHEAT ..	2.201-2.201
May ..	2.201-2.201
July ..	2.201-2.201
CORN ..	2.104-2.104
May ..	2.104-2.104
July ..	2.104-2.104
OATS ..	0.041-0.041
May ..	0.041-0.041
July ..	0.041-0.041

OUTWARD MAILS

THURSDAY, JUNE 10.	
Closing Times By Air	
Batavia, Peking, Hongkong, Shanghai, Amoy, Tientsin, Hankow, Fookow, Swatow, Canton (reg. and ord.)	10 a.m.
Closing Times By Sea & Train	
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) (Sea) Noon.	
Amoy and Fookow (Sea) Noon.	
Macao (Sea) Noon.	
Kanton (Sea) Noon.	
Canton (2nd class mail only) (Train) Noon.	
FRIDAY, JUNE 11.	
Closing Times By Air	
Canton (Kowloon CPO) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m. (GPO) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, 9 a.m. (reg.) 9.30 a.m. (ord.)	
Shanghai, Peking, Hankow, Tientsin, Amoy, Fookow, Swatow, Canton (reg. and ord.)	10 a.m.
Closing Times By Sea & Train	
Macao (Sea) 9 a.m.	
Shanghai (Sea) 10 a.m.	
Fookow (Sea) 10 a.m.	
Swatow and Amoy (Sea) 10 a.m.	
Macao (Sea) 2 p.m.	
Canton (2nd class mail only) (Train) 2 p.m.	
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) (Sea) 2 p.m.	
Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.	
Canton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 3 p.m.	

U.S. PLANS FOR THE FUTURE JAPAN

Forecast By Prominent Historian

Philadelphia, June 9.—The United States will demand, at the Japanese peace conference, that Nippon be kept weak militarily yet strong enough economically to resist Soviet influence, according to one observer today.

Prof. Kenneth Scott Latourette of Yale, author of several history textbooks on Japan and China, believes the U.S. Government "will probably believe it to be a duty to defend Japan against Russia."

Writing in the "Annals of the American Academy," Dr. Latourette says that, "In order to secure the American position, the (United States) government will insist that the Japanese settlement be such as to safeguard it. Safeguards will be desired both against the military revival of Japan and against Russia."

Dr. Latourette says the United States and Russia have become inextricably involved in the Far East although their intentions and good sense might lead the other way. United States involvement, he says, "may be unwise...even tragically mistaken. Certainly the United States can hope for no return in commerce on investments which will not even begin to compensate her for the enormous expenditures in treasure and life which her Far Eastern policy has already entailed. Further expenditures are even less likely to be followed by corresponding tangible material reward."

RUSSIA'S CONCERN

Russia, he says, while more firmly entrenched in Asia than ever before may find her preoccupation in Europe and the Middle East more rewarding. Thus, Russia may be "less likely to embark upon costly adventures in the Far East. Yet she will not allow herself to be easily dislodged...and she might enter upon a course there which would lead her, against her original intentions, into major military operations."

The threat of a revived Japan, nevertheless, is very integral to the policies of both, since each fears encroachments by the other. In addition, says Dr. Latourette, China, Australia and Britain have very real concern over a militarily resurgent Japan.

Because China is weak, she naturally fears a revived Japan. But more, he says, "A weak China would be a temptation to a resurgent Japan especially if the military once more came into prominence." While he expects China to unite and become strong "ultimately," he says in the meantime, "A feeble and divided China means intensification of the rivalry between Russia and the United States. Even so, he fears the other will control China. Hence, he believes, each will seek bases in the Far East.

Australia, he believes, will be vocal because the memory of the near-invasion during World War II is very fresh.

BRITAIN'S WORRY

Britain, he feels is worried about Japanese competition in textiles which explains Lancashire criticism of U.S. occupation attempts at rehabilitation. But because of interests elsewhere and Japan's ability to satisfy the Orient market more cheaply, Britain will not prove too strong a factor.

With this as a background, Dr. Latourette outlines four main divisions of peace settlement terms:

1. Reparations; 2. Territorial adjustment; 3. Economic opportunity; 4. Military suppression. Except for property remaining in China and Korea, he says, reparations should be completely wiped off the slate. Obsolescence, Soviet seizure in Manchuria and owners' indifference pending policy statement have considerably reduced most capital values.

TERRITORIAL ALLOTMENTS

Territorially, he favours the cession of Formosa to China and lower Sakhalin to Russia for national and geographic reasons. Admitting the Kuriles would be of strategic value to the nation holding them, he urges their retention by Russia. For one thing, the Yalta declaration assigned them to her. For another, she would not consider surrendering them. For Russia, they constitute little more than an extension of Sakhalin from the standpoint of air bases while in American hands would be a constant "irritant" to the Soviets. In Japanese hands, similarly, they would menace Siberia. The Ryukyus, he says, are somewhat different.

The U.S. already occupies Okinawa and it is to assume the defence of Japan. Hence, in these islands are vital, he declares. If the United Nations were stronger, ultimate autonomy might be considered. But until the U.N. is strengthened, he would oppose that.

Returning the islands, except Okinawa, to Japan is a possibility, he says, because Japanese administration was good and the peoples are closely related.

He concedes American occupation of Okinawa irritates the Russians but discounts its importance saying, "The major causes of tension between Russia and the United States are elsewhere."

Economically, he says to provide Japan with the means of making a living is vital. Further, "a prosperous Japan will contribute to the welfare of the rest of the Far East." But he, he says, "probably the effort will be made to discourage heavy industry in Japan on the

ground that otherwise the Japanese will rearm. If this policy is followed, Japan must be encouraged to develop her light industries, including the revival of her textiles."

WORLD MUST DISARM

Finally, he treats with the safeguards against militarism. He says, "Unless the rest of the world disarms, Japan cannot be kept permanently demilitarized. Sooner or later external prohibitions will be cancelled or—if retained on paper—will cease to be enforced. If Japan's neighbours remain weak and if the United Nations should not become strong, the temptation to Japan will be very great. There is the possibility, too, that in the struggle for power between Russia and the United States, an armed Japan will become a valuable ally to the United States. The Japanese might well present the desirability of such a course to the United States and, in a time of stress, win the consent and even the aid of that country in rearming."

He concludes the "best and indeed only real safeguard against a revival of militaristic and expansionist policies by Japan lies in a world which is progressively disarming and in the peaceable resolution of the tension between the United States and Russia."—United Press.

HISTORY IS REPEATED

Cotnamund, Madras, June 9.—History repeated itself in the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East when, as at a previous session at Baguio, in the Philippines, the Commission today decided to shelve the Indonesian Republic's application for associate membership until the next session.

The decision was taken by a narrow majority of one. The vote was the culmination of three separate debates on the subject during the present session, with much lobbying in between. The issue came up for the first time on June 2 in the form of an application for membership, first, for the whole of Indonesia, sponsored by The Netherlands, and, second, for the Republic as a separate entity, sponsored by India.

In the course of the first two debates, The Netherlands' application went into the background because of the Philippine motion for a postponement, supported by the United States, Britain, France and The Netherlands.

New Zealand, which had earlier supported a "provisional" membership for the Republic, today tipped the scale when she supported the Philippine move, and, with China and Siam remaining neutral, India had only four supporters—Australia, Pakistan and Russia.—Reuter.

Truman In A Fighting Mood

Aboard Truman Train, June 8.—Democratic political sources at Butte, where President Truman spoke last night, were gleeful over what they described as the "spirit" with which the President belaboured Congress.

They said it was a fighting speech and rarely in Mr. Truman's political career had he spoken with such verve. President Truman had demanded that Congress stay in session, despite the political conventions, and get busy on his programme to provide housing and check inflation.

The Presidential train will arrive at Olympia, Washington, today and the chief executive will not rejoin it until Friday afternoon in Portland.—United Press.

Bevin Satisfied Tassoyev Was Not Beaten Up

London, June 9.—The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin today refused to order an investigation into the London adventures of Lieut. Colonel J. D. Tassoyev, the Soviet officer who deserted to the Western Allies and then changed his mind.

Mr. Bevin said: "I get a lot of these cases of people wanting to escape to England. It is not a bad country to escape to. I have to deal with it every day. These cases constantly crop up and I cannot have a prolonged inquiry into every case. I am quite satisfied."

He denied Tass' charge that he was beaten by the London Police. The charge was carried in an interview with Tassoyev by the official news agency. Mr. Bevin said: "I am quite satisfied that there was no beating

MEN AND MACHINE FIGHT FLOOD



Workmen, with the aid of a bulldozer, make hasty repairs to a levee in the Yakima, Washington area as they battle rising waters. Many were forced to flee their trailer homes near here.—AP Picture.

Action For Gurkhas

Singapore, June 9.—Gurkha troops will shortly begin extensive military operations to clear out "Communist guerrillas" from the vicinity of Rengam, in Johore State, it was reliably learned today.

Twelve members of one of Johore's largest gangs, who yesterday carried out an unsuccessful raid on a rubber estate manager's house, were seen again today in the vicinity.

They wore Japanese caps and carried Sten guns and sawn-off shotguns. The Kuala Lumpur police today arrested Liew Yit-fun, the manager of the Communist newspaper Ming Sheng Pao (the Voice of the People) on a sedition warrant. Liew is a Jamaican-born Chinese. The Communists acquired the paper only last week.—Reuter.

Peace Treaty Discussions

Brussels, June 9.—The Belgian Premier, Mr. Paul Henri Spaak, and the Foreign Trade Minister, Baron Van Der Straten Waelt, today discussed implementation of Belgium's peace treaty with Italy and the reparations involved.

They also studied a bill providing for the treaty's ratification by Parliament.

A Belgian Parliamentary Commission reported that the Treasury's reparations claims on Italy amounted to 60 million Belgian francs. Damage to Belgian property in Italy was estimated at 510 million francs. Two-thirds of this is to be repaid by Italy.

Italy has to repay the Belgian Congo approximately \$60 million for "war expenditures." The Commission's Chairman, Mr. Ludovic Moyersson, noted that other countries had renounced claims on Italy and added that "if Belgium was to follow their example, it would be unquestionably a great sacrifice justified by Italy's critical situation and would be an important contribution to the re-establishment of friendly relations between the two countries."—Reuter.

MAN SLAIN IN HIS HOME

London, June 9.—John Ramsden, found slain at his home in north-west London, served with the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve during World War II. He was 46. Ramsden was educated at Eton and Clare College, Cambridge. In 1935, he married Lady Catherine, elder daughter of the second Earl of Ancaster. The marriage was dissolved three months ago. There is one daughter, born in 1938.

Ramsden's father, Sir John Frecheville Ramsden, lives at Gerrards Cross in Buckinghamshire. He also has estates at Invernesshire and Cumberland.—Associated Press.

Kashmir May Soon Be Cleared Of Invaders

London, June 9.—The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, might find it difficult to leave India to visit London for the proposed Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, the Indian High Commissioner in London, told a press conference today.

He added there was "a fifty-fifty possibility of his coming"—he might come in July or it might be in October.

He said he would not be surprised "if the whole of the invading forces in Kashmir were not cleared from the territory within 30 days."

"We seek no war," he said. "We seek only to defend our territory. There is no government in the world which desires, more than the Government of India, a peaceful settlement of all problems."

"Kashmir's main trouble at the moment is economic, but we believe it is only a passing phase. Tourists, who mean so much to Kashmir, can now go there with safety."

"The future of Kashmir must be decided by the people of Kashmir. What we object to is the interference with the sovereignty of the territory."

NO IMPOSITIONS

On the question of a plebiscite in Kashmir, Mr. Menon said: "You cannot take a plebiscite in a country which has invading troops in it. We have every confidence in our armed forces and in the political leadership in Kashmir."

"There are no impositions from India on Kashmir. In fact, we have no officers and not even advisers there. The full administration of Kashmir is in the hands of the Kashmiris."

"We are prepared, rightly or wrongly, to have the accession of Kashmir ratified by the will of the people."

"It is the same with Hyderabad. Accession will be decided by the people themselves. If Hyderabad were an independent state, how would she provide for her defence and her communications?"

"There is no future for Hyderabad except in association with the Indian Union. Stories of a Government economic blockade of Hyderabad are completely unfounded."

FRENCH COLONIES

Discussing the position of French colonies in India, Mr. Menon said he was sure the question would be solved by friendly consultation. He commented: "The French have neither the means nor the desire to maintain anything by force."

"We have had preliminary talks with the Portuguese, too, and I hope to go to Lisbon in the near future. I do not see why, as with the French, there cannot be a friendly settlement with the Portuguese Government."

On the subject of the current sterling balances negotiations, the High Commissioner said: "We shall do everything to meet reasonable requests from the British side, and I have no doubt that the British will do the same. I think it is a question very largely of finding methods and of trying to see how these methods can be adjusted to our economy."

"India requires plenty of capital goods and Britain has them. We shall naturally try to get some of them. The discussions are being carried out in a very pleasant atmosphere and there is no question of catch-as-catch-can methods."—Reuter.

Prisoner Escapes On Way To Dentist

Cairo, June 9.—A young student, Hussein Tewfik, who has been on trial for more than two years charged with murdering the former Egyptian Finance Minister, Sir Amin Osman Fasha, escaped today while being escorted to a Cairo dentist, it was announced here.—Reuter.

DEATH

MUSKETT.—At St Teresa's Hospital this morning, H.W.B. ("Dertie") Musket, following an illness, at the age of 54.

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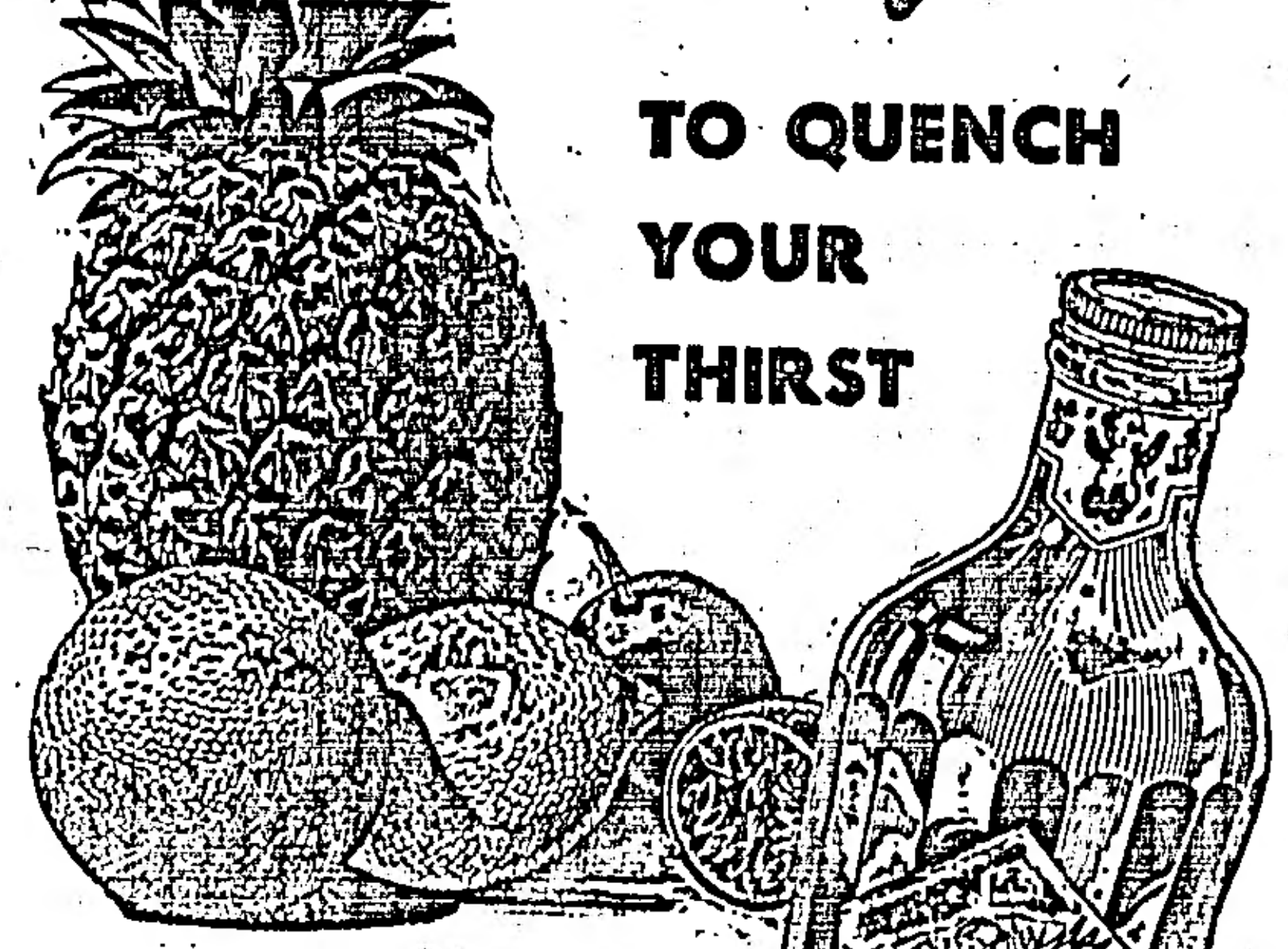
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